

WEATHER FORECASTS

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday:
Victoria and vicinity—Northerly and easterly winds, generally fair and cold.
Lower Mainland—Northerly and easterly winds, generally fair and cold.

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WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT

Pantages—Vaudeville.
Royal—Phyllis Nelson-Terry.
Variety—Vivian Martin.
Columbia—The Frozen Wainling.
Dominion—Tarzan of the Apes.

FOURTEEN PAGES

LULL FINDS FRANCO-BRITISH STANDING FIRMLY ON LINE

NO RELAXATION IN METHODS OF MILITARY LEADERS IN CITY OF QUEBEC AGAINST DISTURBANCES

Any Further Attempts at Lawlessness Will Be Dealt With by Troops With Firm Hand; All Concerts and Meetings Scheduled for To-Night Cancelled

Quebec, April 2.—It is hoped by the military authorities here that now that it has been demonstrated that no lawlessness will be tolerated, the disorderly faction will remain quiet.

The holiday season ended with last night, and it is thought by the military leaders that with the men returning to work the tendency to get together will be diminished. However, no relaxation of the methods which the military leaders have inaugurated to crush the rioting will be seen.

To-day was still foggy and the prospects were that weather favoring the operations of the snipers would prevail to-night.

A number of St. Roche merchants to-day received letters signed "The Association of Liberty," warning them that their stores were in the danger zone and instructing them to schedule for to-night have been cancelled.

In order to assist the military to keep the streets clear and to keep people indoors and out of danger from wild shots, all concerts and meetings

FOUR KILLED IN QUEBEC INNOCENT

Civilians Who Lost Lives During Fighting Appear Free of Blame

Quebec, April 2.—So far the four civilians killed during the fighting here last night between the rioting element and the troops stationed in the city appear to have been innocent citizens who were not connected with the disturbance in any way. The official casualty list handed out by the military authorities this morning shows four civilians dead—Arthur Lapierre, Geo. Hamel, B. Demelle and Edouard Tremblay, of Murray Bay. The number of wounded soldiers remains at five.

Wounded.
This morning doctors residing in the vicinity of the rioting reported to the police fifteen cases of wounds. They were all people hit on the streets by snipers or bullets fired by soldiers in return. It was stated by the authorities that probably a number of wounded people were treated privately at home, as they were not anxious to let the military know that they were near an illegal gathering, and thus run the risk of arrest.

While repulsing the approach of a mob near the Canadian Pacific Railway station the following soldiers were injured:

Pte. Maybe, Toronto, hit on the head with a brick.
Pte. Jack Martel, Halifax, injured ears, bullet wound over right eye.
Pte. J. L. Pelletier, Guysboro, N. S., hit on the head with a brick.
Pte. St. George Checkley, Greenwich, Conn., shot in leg.
Pte. Leroy Johnston, Toronto, bullet through jaw.

Inquest.
To-morrow Coroner Jolicoeur will open an inquest on the bodies of the men killed last night.

AMENDMENT OF ARMY ACT NOW IS URGED

Toronto Star Says More Rapid Results Needed in Quebec

Toronto, April 2.—In connection with the rioting in Quebec City and the case "The Toronto Star" says: "The Military Service Act will have to be so amended as to procure more rapid results in Quebec. There are too many appeals, too much delay, and a fair and equitable enforcement of the law everywhere in Canada is necessary. This row in Quebec was started because of actions of the Dominion police in connection with the draft, and the same procedure that gave offence there has been used right along in Toronto and Winnipeg, Halifax and Vancouver."

TRIED TO AVOID SHOOTING CITIZENS

Troops in Quebec Sought to Protect the Innocent During Fighting

Quebec, April 2.—Every care was taken by the troops during the fighting with the rioting element here last night to protect the lives of the innocent citizens, but with thousands of people in the region where the sniping was being carried on they could not fire without a chance of hitting some innocent person.

The snipers never presented a good mark. In the early part of the evening they fired from among the crowds on the streets and after the people had been moved from Jacques Cartier Square, where the original disturbance took place, people gathered in knots in all the streets. The warning issued through the papers that stern measures were to be adopted and that gatherings in the streets were illegal did not seem to have made a great deal of impression on the people.

Acted Calmly.
The soldiers behaved with quiet courage and calmness. Though most of the men have been with the colors only a few weeks their behavior under the sniping was exemplary. As they stood out in the open streets under the strong electric lights they provided excellent targets for marksmen, but even when men began to be hit they stood stoically on guard or undertook the dangerous task of searching for the shooters.

Much of the heavy fighting took place on St. Valler Street, near the junction of St. Joseph Street. The home of Dr. Joseph Gosselin, assistant city physician, was right in the thick of the bombardment and as a machine gun was turned on the rioters the ground story of Dr. Gosselin's house was literally riddled with bullets. The members of the family had withdrawn to the second story and thus were safe from the rifle and machine gun fire.

Toronto Troops.
It was early last night that the troops, consisting of Toronto, Infantry and dragoons, were ordered from barracks and stationed in different parts of the city. The upper section of the town was cut off from St. Rochs, where the disorderly element resides, by a line of troops.

Armand Lavergne, the Nationalist leader, was expected to address a meeting in Jacques Cartier Square, but respected the military edict banning such assemblies. A large crowd was on hand, however, and the rioting began soon after the soldiers were posted. Bricks were thrown from house-tops, and revolver shots were fired from alleyways.

Several men took shots at the troops and escaped into the mob. One soldier had a miraculous escape. He accosted a rioter, who dodged in front of him, pulling the trigger of a revolver five times. It did not explode.

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CLEMENCEAU, HAVING SEEN BATTLEFRONT DAILY, HAS NO DOUBT AS TO OUTCOME

Paris, April 2.—The French Premier, while making his daily visit to the front yesterday, ventured so near the first line that his automobile was shelled vigorously by German artillery. All the windows were broken, but Premier Clemenceau was not hurt. The Premier returned to Paris enthusiastic and full of confidence in the favorable issue of the present great battle.

London, April 2.—The general situation at the moment, as described by Reuters' correspondent at British Headquarters in France, is that the main movement of fresh enemy troops and others that are moderately fresh continues to be toward the zone between the Somme and Montdidier. North of the Somme the British forces have succeeded in establishing the line, at any rate for the time being.

There has been a considerable increase in the artillery fire against the British positions at Passchendaele and on the Goerghe Ridge, in Belgium, northeast of Ypres. The correspondent says, however, that the Germans are committed so heavily to the present battlefront that it is not easy to believe that they will try an offensive elsewhere.

OTTAWA CABINET CONSIDERS QUEBEC

Situation in Disturbed City Again Discussed by Ministers To-day

Ottawa, April 2.—The situation in Quebec City was again under consideration at a special meeting of the Cabinet this morning following a series of consultations and conferences.

Lieut.-Colonel Machin, Director of Military Service, who returned to Ottawa from Quebec to-day, has made a special report to the Minister of Justice. When he left Quebec, Lieut.-Colonel Machin stated, Maj.-General Lessard had the situation well in hand. "The renewed outbreak last night," Lieut.-Colonel Machin added, "would indicate, however, that the disturbances apparently were more organized than was at first thought."

Lieut.-Colonel Machin left again for Quebec this afternoon.

Documents Saved.
While considerable damage was done to the military registration office in Quebec, it is announced that the principal documents were saved. The Registrar therefore will be in a position to continue his work.

The Minister of Justice announced to-day that so far there has not been any official proclamation of the existence of martial law in Quebec. It is explained, however, that considerable misconception exists as to the effect of such a proclamation. Martial law, it is stated, might be put into effect without any proclamation. The proclamation would merely be a notice that it was in effect.

Hague Protests to U. S. Against Taking Over of Dutch Ships

Washington, April 2.—Formal protest against the taking over of the Dutch ships was made to the State Department to-day by The Netherlands Minister, August Philips, acting under instructions from The Hague.

The note of protest is similar to that recently published in the Dutch official gazette.

HOW AEROPLANES OF U. S. WILL BE MARKED

Washington, April 2.—The markings for American aeroplanes adopted by the signal corps and announced to-day, call for a red, white and blue bullseye of three concentric circles on the wings and vertical red, white and blue stripes on the rudders.

German Long-Range Guns Continue to Make Paris Target

Paris, April 2.—The eighth German long-range bombardment of Paris began at 10.10 o'clock this morning, when a projectile exploded in the region of the city.

TROOPS OF ALLIES CONTINUE TO MAKE PROGRESS AT POINTS AND WEAR DOWN ENEMY DURING LULL

AMERICAN UNITS IN ALLIED BRIGADES

Will Be Merged on Front in France, Says London Statement

Washington, April 2.—The announcement from London that American army units are to be brigaded with British and French organizations was interpreted by army officers here to-day as indicating that the United States Government is ready to thrust aside all question of national pride in placing American man-power at the immediate disposal of the Allies. The plan was decided on at a conference between Secretary Baker and Generals Bliss and Pershing and British and French officials.

Details of the method to be followed are not available and presumably will be arranged by General Pershing. There was every indication, however, that American troops now in training in the United States are to be rushed across regardless of their proficiency.

The British statement said that the national aspect of General Pershing's army is not to be impaired. The building up of a purely American war machine will proceed as rapidly as possible.

Composite Battalions

Whatever efforts may be made to keep a purely American unit in a veteran division of one of the other armies, officers say, the exigencies of conflict and the problem of replacing losses will lead to the creation ultimately of composite battalions rather than of divisions, composed of French and American or British and American units. A complete merging of the men is as certain, it is believed, as is the merging of regular army, national army and National Guard units in the American army. There is no practical way to avoid it, officers say, without impairing the efficiency of the entire force.

There are many officers who believe this to be the only practical solution of the transportation and supply problems, if American military power is to be made immediately available to repel the German onslaught.

Category B Men Will Be Called by Letter Via Registered Mail

Ottawa, April 2.—Category B men under the Military Service Act will receive their notices to report for service by registered mail. In each case the notice will come from the Registrar of the Military District in which the man resides.

As the men come within the scope of proclamation calling on the Class One under the Act it is pointed out, there is no necessity for a further proclamation.

INDIA IS CONFIDENT ALLIES WILL WIN IN BATTLE IN FRANCE

London, April 2.—(Via Reuters' Ottawa Agency.)—A Delhi dispatch states that throughout India the sole subject of interest is the fighting in France. Confidence in final British victory is absolutely unshaken. All India is praying for the success of the British and Allied armies.

NEW ARMY IN THE CAUCASUS IS BATTLING AGAINST TURKS

Petrograd, April 1.—Via London, April 2.—Fierce fighting has broken out in the districts of Batoum, Kars and Ardhan, in the Caucasus. The Armenians and Georgians have formed a large army for the defence of the territory against the Turks, who have begun military occupation of the three districts by virtue of the Brest-Litovsk peace treaty.

The Georgians have seized most of the Russian warships in the harbor of Batoum and have taken them into the Black Sea. The entire population of Georgia has been mobilized to oppose the invaders.

Some Gains Between Somme and Demuin Reported by Paris; Many Germans Killed by British Between Avre and Luce Rivers and in Hebuterne Region

Paris, April 2.—The War Office here reported this afternoon: "The night was relatively calm on the front between the Oise and the Somme. The artillery fighting became rather heavy along some parts of the battlefield."

"Franco-British troops made some progress during the night between the Somme and Demuin."

"In the region of the Colonne trench and at Ban-de-Sapt French troops made two successful raids and took prisoners. At Chambray a German attack on some French posts was repulsed."

London, April 2.—Field-Marshal Haig reported to-day: "In the course of the fighting yesterday in the area between the

New Portuguese Gun Is Stated to Throw Shell Ninety Miles

Lisbon, April 2.—Benito Casiro, a Portuguese engineer, is said by The Seculo to have invented a gun which will throw a shell ninety miles.

British Hold Wood at Luce River They Wrested From Enemy

British Army Headquarters in France, April 2.—(By the Associated Press).—British troops stormed strongly held German positions in a wood along the Luce River yesterday. When the enemy withdrew after sharp fighting, he left the ground strewn with his dead.

The Germans shelled the wood heavily after it had been occupied by the British and organized two counter-attacks for the purpose of retaking it. Both were caught in the artillery barrage and broken.

Utah Senator Urges U. S. Declare War on Turkey and Bulgaria

Washington, April 2.—A resolution proposing a declaration of war by the United States on Turkey and Bulgaria was introduced in the Senate to-day by Senator King, of Utah, and referred to the Foreign Relations Committee without debate. The resolution recites that the two nations named are Germany's allies and therefore enemies of the United States.

S. S. Celtic, Hit by Torpedo, Has Reached British Port Safely

New York, April 2.—The big White Star liner Celtic, which was torpedoed a day or two ago while on a voyage to the United States, has reached a British port safely. The White Star Line to-day received a cablegram reading: "Celtic safe. This was taken to mean that the Celtic had returned to her port of departure or some other British port."

Wilson Thanked by Britain for Prompt Measures at Crisis

Washington, April 2.—Lord Reading, the British Ambassador, to-day sent to President Wilson a message of thanks on behalf of the British Government for the "instant and comprehensive" measures the President took in response to the request that American troops be used to reinforce the Allied armies in France.

DECLARED ELECTED.

Ottawa, April 2.—W. F. O'Connor, the General Returning Officer, has issued a proclamation declaring Pedlow, Liberal, South Renfrew, and Harold, Liberal-Unionist, Drant, elected. In both cases there was a recount of the soldiers' vote.

NEED SHIPS FOR AMERICAN TROOPS

Call Sent Out for Sailors to Aid in Moving Men Overseas

Boston, April 2.—An urgent call for men-to-man-merchant ships was sent out by Henry Howard, director of recruiting for the United States Shipping Board, after a meeting to-day of the advisory committee, composed of representatives of various mariners' organizations. Speakers pointed out that the German drive in France made it necessary that immediate steps be taken to man ships so that every available soldier could be transported to the battlefield.

Andrew Furuseth, of San Francisco, president of the Seamen's Union, who is a member of the advisory committee, spoke strongly on the need for action, declaring the nation must strain every nerve to send in the best for whom ships can be supplied. He said it was not so much a question of ordering ships as it was of finding officers and sailors.

UP TO MARCH 21 NO BULGARIANS HAD BEEN SENT TO WEST FRONT

Washington, April 2.—A report to the State Department to-day from American Consul-General Murphy, at Sofia, declares that no Bulgarian troops were moved to the Western front for the big German offensive. It had been stated that Bulgarians were fighting in the West alongside the Germans and Austrian troops.

Mr. Murphy's report was dated March 21. It was sent to Washington unsolicited.

ARCHBISHOP OF YORK PRAYS IN U. S. SENATE FOR ALLIES' CAUSE

Washington, April 2.—A prayer for victory of the Allied arms, a "lasting and righteous peace" and for the men now "defending the cause of truth and freedom in the awful battle being waged across the sea," was made in the Senate to-day by the Most Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang, Archbishop of York. The invocation closed with the Lord's Prayer, in which the Senators and spectators joined.

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**DEATH OF NEPHEW
OF LORD READING**

New York, April 2.—Frank L. Cohen, a nephew of Lord Reading, the British Ambassador to this country, and who formerly was master of works of the City of Glasgow, Scotland, died yesterday at a hotel here. Mr. Cohen had been lecturing in this country, and was associated in food control work with the Food Administration of the United States.

CHARGE DISMISSED.

St. John's, Nfld., April 2.—An indictment charging Sir William Reid, former president of the Reid Newfoundland Railways, with criminal libel, was dismissed by a grand jury here to-day. The charge was brought by Hon. William Coaker, a member of the present Government and president of the Fisheries Protective Union. Mr. Coaker instituted proceedings against Sir William as the result of the publication of a letter to Lord Shaftesbury in Montreal, saying that Coaker had taken part in discussions with political leaders on a plan to bring about confederation of this colony with

the Dominion of Canada. Sir William was arrested on the charge on January 12. The jury to-day held that publication of the letter did not constitute a libel.

**BRIG.-GEN. W. HUGHES
AS SUPERINTENDENT
OF PENITENTIARIES**

Ottawa, April 2.—The Ottawa Journal-Press says: "Although no official announcement has been made, it is understood that Brig.-General W. St. Pierre Hughes, former officer commanding the 21st Eastern Ontario Battalion at the front and an Ottawa man, will be brought back to Canada to take the position of Superintendent of Penitentiaries in Canada. The Government, with the concurrence of the Opposition, has decided to appoint a Superintendent of Penitentiaries and three inspectors. For over a quarter of a century General Hughes was an inspector of penitentiaries and his work in this position gives him ample experience to handle the position of superintendent."

"He is a brother of Sam Hughes."

**CANADIAN UNITS
SHARED IN BATTLE**Cavalry Assisted French to Re-
take Moreuil; Others Fought
Near Arras

Ottawa, April 2.—Cable dispatches were received yesterday by Sir Robert Borden from Sir Edward Kemp stating that a number of Canadian units had been taking part in the great struggle still in progress on the Western front.

The definite announcement was made by the Overseas Minister of Militia that cavalry brigades recaptured Moreuil from the Germans in conjunction with French infantry, and that the French commanders had expressed their appreciation of the valuable services rendered by Canada's mounted fighting men.

In another cable to the Prime Minister, Sir Edward stated that Canadian units had taken part in the fighting south of Arras, where they made some gains.

Troops Mingled.

London, April 2.—Telegraphing from French headquarters yesterday, Reuters correspondent there said:

"The repulse of the German assault yesterday between Lassigny and Montdidier was the severest blow the enemy has suffered since the beginning of the offensive."

"The attack was conducted in a familiar manner. Dense aggregations of men marched up to assault by battalions and literally melted away under the fire of the French 75's."

"Moreuil was recaptured by French and Canadian soldiers charging together. Reports sent back by the French army leave no doubt that the enemy suffered terribly and did not gain an inch of ground."

"The fight for Moreuil lasted a whole day. The Canadians actually intermingled with their French comrades and fought like lions to keep the place. It was twice captured by the Franco-Canadians and twice lost. In the end the khaki and horizon blue had the best of it, and the village, which was the nearest point the enemy had reached on the way to Amiens, and a point particularly coveted by the German staff, remains in our hands."

**WINNIPEG JITNEYS
HAVE MONTH'S GRACE**

Winnipeg, April 2.—At a meeting of the City Council last night, a by-law permitting jitneys to operate for a month longer was passed. A determined effort was made by the labor members of the council to make the period six months, but an amendment to this effect was defeated, the vote being nine to seven.

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**CASUALTIES AMONG
CANADIAN SOLDIERS**

Ottawa, April 2.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry—
Missing—Capt. R. H. Martin, Viking, Alta.
Prisoner of war—Lieut. J. Harvey, Toronto.
Gassed—Pte. G. D. Sherry, North Vancouver.
Wounded—Pte. H. Smith, Summerland, B. C.; Corp. E. Sutton, Nanaimo.
Seriously ill—Pte. E. Waugh, Vancouver.
Medicals—
Ill—Pte. J. Weatherhead, Vancouver.

**IMPORT REGULATIONS
NOT MADE AT OTTAWA
AS YET, IT IS STATED**

Ottawa, April 2.—It was authoritatively stated last night that statements which have been made as to the extent of the prospective restriction of imports of foreign goods into Canada are of a purely speculative character. While the matter has received some consideration by the War Trade Board, the Cabinet has not yet had an opportunity to review recommendations that have been made by that body to the Minister of Trade and Commerce. As already announced, restriction of imports into the United States goes into effect on April 15, but it is hardly probable that the Canadian list will be decided upon by that date, as the Government is receiving a number of objections from industries most likely to be affected, which will have to be considered.

**BERLIN TRIES TO STOP
RUSSIAN RED GUARDS
GOING INTO FINLAND**

London, April 2.—Germany has protested to the Russian Government against the continuation of the movement of Red Guard forces from Russia into Finland, and asks the withdrawal of such Red Guard detachments as have passed the frontier, according to a wireless from Berlin.

The punishment of the "guilty" in this connection is asked, as well as preventive measures for the future. Germany will take the necessary measures hereafter if the Russian Government is not able to fulfill its obligations in this respect, the Russian authorities are informed.

WINNIPEG TAX RATE.

Winnipeg, April 2.—The tax rate in the City of Winnipeg for the fiscal year 1918-19 will reach at least twenty-one mills, according to information gleaned from the city hall, says The Winnipeg Telegram.

"It may run higher than that," it adds, "but it is not likely to be any lower."

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**FURTHER PROGRESS
REPORTED BY ALLIES**British Cavalry Retook Wood
Near Moreuil; Guns at
Other Points

London, April 2.—Field-Marshal Haig reported last night:

"Between Moreuil and Hangard British cavalry, in a brilliant counter-attack, retook a wood which had been lost previously."

"North of the Somme there has been hard fighting in the neighborhood of Neuville."

"On the French front an enemy attack was beaten off near Moreuil. Otherwise the day was comparatively quiet."

"Local attacks undertaken by small bodies of the enemy this morning in the neighborhood of Albert were repulsed with the loss of the greater part of their numbers. We secured a few prisoners."

"South of the Somme local fighting has taken place in the neighborhood of Moreuil and Hangard. We gained ground in this area by successful counter-attacks."

In the Air.

"Aviation.—Our observation balloons and aeroplanes were active on Sunday, good visibility enabling the former to carry out useful work in connection with the artillery. The activity of our aeroplanes was chiefly centred south of the Somme. A close watch was kept on the enemy movements in this area, and large columns of hostile troops and transports were bombed or engaged in machine-gun fire."

"Very little fighting occurred in the air. Two hostile machines were brought down and another was driven to earth out of control. Four of our machines are missing."

"Four British machines previously reported missing have since returned to their units."

"Night flying was impossible, until after midnight, owing to low clouds. From midnight until dawn, however, our bombing machines were constantly at work, twenty-four tons of projectiles being dropped on railways and stations at Douai, Cambrai, Bapaume, Rosieres and Thourout and the docks at Bruges. Troops and transports in the neighborhood of Bapaume and Chaulnes were also attacked with bombs and machine-gun fire. All our machines returned safely."

French Report.

Paris, April 2.—The War Office here reported last night:

"The battle was maintained along the whole north of Montdidier, where the enemy artillery was particularly active. The enemy carried out new attacks against Grivesnes, all of which were repulsed with heavy losses."

"In the course of spirited engagements the Franco-British troops made appreciable progress at various points between the Somme and Demuin."

"On March 28-29 our aviators, despite rain and mist, carried out numerous sorties. Five thousand kilograms of explosives were dropped on enemy cantonments and stations in the region of St. Quentin and Roye. Our aeroplanes frequently attacked with machine guns and bombs enemy concentrations, which they dispersed. Nine German aeroplanes and one captive balloon were destroyed by our pilots."

"German Statement.

Berlin, April 1.—Via London, April 2.—A statement from general headquarters this evening said there was nothing new to report from the battlefield in France.

Attempt for Arras.

British Army Headquarters in France, April 1.—Via London, April 2.—The German attack along the Scarpe River on March 28 has as its objective the city of Arras and the formidable Vimy Ridge. The enemy's plans were laid to carry out this ambition and the attack was supported by a very heavy assault south and southwest of Arras, units of at least eleven German divisions being employed there.

It may be seen, therefore, that the German plans were far-reaching, but the main result they achieved was to swell the already great total of their casualties.

At about three o'clock in the morning of March 28 the German artillery opened a terrific bombardment against the British positions. It was plain the enemy intended attack, and at 4.40 the British guns unleashed an avalanche of steel against every known place of assembly the Germans might be using. Shortly after 7 o'clock the enemy troops advanced. They came forward slowly and deliberately in full marching order. Each infantryman carried rations for six days, two blankets and an extra pair of boots, indicating that the attack was in deadly earnest. The company commanders were mounted and the infantry was followed closely by artillery.

Terrible Losses.

On the extreme north the storm centre lay between Gavrelle and Oppy, the Germans pivoting on Oppy. The Germans lost terribly in the heavy fighting, which lasted all day, during which the British fell back to a line between Baillieu and Willerval. The German attacks against these points were futile. Elsewhere north of the river the British stood their ground and pushed forward slightly Friday and Saturday. South of the Scarpe the Germans were held up for a time by a division which had been engaged against them for the previous week. After the first day the division retired somewhat and later was compelled to fall back behind Neuville Vitasse on account of pressure to the south.

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**PLOTTERS IN U. S.
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BREAD AND FLOUR**

New York, April 2.—A warning to the public "to be most careful in the future when eating bread, rolls, cakes and pastry" because "jagged bits of glass have been found in flour, bread and bread wrappers," has been issued by the Federal Food Board here. It added that complaints of this character have been sufficiently frequent to warrant the Board in publishing this warning.

**OTTAWA WATCHING
IMPORTED BEANS**

Ottawa, April 2.—A McGill Dominion Analyst, has advised the Government to exercise care in connection with the importation of beans grown in warm climates, because of the danger of a large amount of prussic acid germinally large amount of prussic acid they contain. His recommendation, which has been acted upon, forbids the delivery of any beans found to yield more than twenty parts of prussic acid per 100,000 parts. Of 532 samples of beans recently examined, 240 samples contained no prussic acid and all other samples a small quantity. Only nineteen samples, however, contained more than twenty parts of prussic acid per 100,000 parts. A number of cases of illness, have resulted from use of beans containing prussic acid. "These beans," says the report, "are mainly entered at the western seaboard, and are finding their way eastward, already practically monopolising the markets as far east as Manitoba."

CURFEW IN LONDON.

London, April 2.—When the new curfew rings in London to-night every place of public amusement must put out its lights and remain closed from 10.30 p. m. to 1 p. m. the following day. The order applies to hotels, clubs and restaurants. No food will be served from 10.30 p. m. until 5 a. m. Lights in shop windows also are forbidden. The order is designed to economise in coal, gas and electricity.

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Ottawa, April 2.—A report received by the Department of Trade and Commerce from B. S. Webb, acting Trade Commissioner at Buenos Ayres, gives details of the agreement signed by the British and French Governments under which the Argentine Government has undertaken to finance crop purchases up to the value of \$200,000,000 in gold. The purchases have agreed to purchase and export before November 1, 1918, 2,500,000 tons of cereals at minimum prices of \$5.30 a hundred kilos for wheat, \$2.97 a hundred kilos for oats, and \$6.57 a hundred kilos for linseed.

The convention is not a contract of sale, but rather a loan contract. The Argentine Government will not requisition any grain, neither will it impose any sort of obligation on the holders.

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USE TIMES WANT ADS

TWO LIEUTENANTS EXECUTED IN GREECE

Lawyer Also Given Death Sentence for Plotting for Constantine

Athens, March 30.—Delayed.—Calamara and Hodoropoulos, who came to Greece recently on a German submarine as agents of former King Constantine, were condemned to death by a court martial and the sentence was carried out to-day. Their lawyer, Conoupa, also received the death sentence. The two officers, after receiving instructions at Zurich, Berlin and Vienna, came to Greece in an enemy submarine from Pola with a letter from the former King and plans to arrange a system of espionage and establish a naval base. Conoupa was the intermediary in the matter. A sister of Lieut. Calamara was sentenced to life imprisonment and a peasant was given fifteen years for harboring the lieutenants.

A royal court martial has been directed to prosecute Captain Paparigopoulos, former aide-de-camp to King Constantine, who is said to have arranged for a visit of the officers, and Kolidas Capchiet, who also aided in their plans.

FLAXSEED WILL BE PLANTED IN CANADA FOR GREAT BRITAIN

Winnipeg, April 2.—Details of the scheme of the British Government for raising a large quantity of flaxseed were disclosed here to-day. The British Government owns about 10,000 bushels of a special kind of flaxseed which has been shipped to this country to a foreign port. This seed will be given out free to reliable farmers who are guaranteed to have clean land on which to sow it or who are in a position to put it in sufficiently early in spring. Next fall, when the crop is threshed, the farmers will return to the British Government the amount of seed received, bushel for bushel, but the Government will buy the balance of the crop at a fixed price of \$4.50 per bushel. The flaxseed grown under these conditions will be shipped later to Ireland and used for seed there.

Lieut. Col. Wayland, of Winnipeg, represents the British Government in connection with the scheme.

SKILLED WORKMEN NEEDED IN DETROIT

Detroit, April 2.—The Detroit Board of Commerce announced yesterday that Detroit industries are at present short about 20,000 skilled workmen. This announcement was made in consequence of reports from the east that there was a surplus of skilled mechanics here.

RAILWAY INCREASES.

Ottawa, April 2.—By the terms of a Railway Board judgment handed down yesterday, the London & Port Stanley Railway Company is authorized to increase its standard passenger tariff by fifteen per cent, and its freight rate on coal by fifteen cents a ton. The increases are granted, the judgment says, "because it is clear that the company's rates are insufficient to cover the costs of operation properly under the conditions of to-day."

Never Troubled With Headache

This Relief From Suffering Fully Appreciated by the Writer of This Letter—Tells Others How Cure Was Effected.

South Fork, Sask., April 2.—Mrs. Letts, of this place, has a happy experience to relate. She suffered terribly with headaches, but headache medicines never seemed to help her. The trouble came from torpid, sluggish action of the liver, kidneys and bowels, and when this condition was overcome by the use of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, the headaches disappeared, and Mrs. Letts felt that her health was greatly benefited.

Mrs. A. F. Letts, South Fork, Sask., writes: "I suffered from terrible headaches so severe I thought sometimes I would go crazy from them. No remedy I ever tried helped me until I used Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. Since using these I can say I am never troubled with headaches now, and feel much better generally."

This statement is endorsed by Mr. O. P. Cole, Postmaster at South Fork, Sask.

Mrs. F. L. Harris, Kealey, P. O., Sask., writes: "I was suffering from liver trouble—had a heavy pain under one shoulder blade all the time, and was nearly as black as dirt around the eyes, so I concluded to try some of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. I did so, and before I had taken one 25c. box the pain had left me, and I commenced to gain in flesh, and by the time I had taken two boxes I was completely cured and felt like a new person. My trouble was caused by heavy work out of doors, and, of course, heavy eating, and constipation. I would advise anyone suffering from kidney or liver trouble to give Dr. Chase's Pills a trial."

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, one pill a dose, 25c. a box, at all dealers, or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Limited, Toronto. Refuse substitutes. The genuine bears the portrait and signature of A. W. Chase, M.D., on the label.

AIRMEN BACK FROM TEXAS TO CANADA

British Royal Flying Corps Training Squadrons About to Return

New York, April 2.—An Associated Press dispatch from Fort Worth to-day says: "The British Royal Flying Corps, commanded by Brigadier-General Hoare, of Indian jungle campaign fame, which has been training here since October, soon will start back to Toronto. The training will be resumed in Canada."

"The British, thousands strong, came to Fort Worth and shared the three American fields here at the invitation of the American Government. It was a return courtesy for the British invitation last summer to the Americans to train in Canada. Among the first arrivals at the American aviation training fields was Lord Wellesley, grandson of the Duke of Wellington, and now a lieutenant-colonel. Lord Wellesley will head the first contingent that will leave Fort Worth for Canada."

"The British will not return to Canada in one body, the movement extending over ten days. After the men in the fields have moved out the headquarters will go on. With the departure the fields will be devoted to Americans."

BRITISH STEAMSHIP CARLISLE CASTLE IS SUNK BY SUBMARINE

Boston, April 2.—The sinking of the British steamship Carlisle Castle, presumably by a German submarine, while on a voyage from this country to a foreign port, was reported in shipping circles here to-day. Boston exporters notified maritime underwriters that they had been advised of the loss of the vessel, but they had no information regarding the fate of the crew. The ship was under charter to the Cunard Line and carried war supplies.

CROWD IN ILLINOIS TOWN DUCKS DOCTOR WHO IS PRO-GERMAN

La Salle, Ill., April 2.—Local pro-Germanism was silenced last night when a crowd of 300 or more citizens ducked a physician in the canal and ordered him out of town, closed one place of business and warned the proprietor of another.

OVER \$5,000,000,000 FROM UNITED STATES TO ALLIES FOR WAR

Washington, April 2.—Credits to the Allies in the last year were raised to-day to more than \$5,000,000,000 by a loan of \$200,000,000 to Great Britain. That nation's total credits from the United States now are \$2,720,000,000, and all the Allies' totals, \$5,160,000,000.

COOL WEATHER NOW IN PRAIRIE PROVINCES

Winnipeg, April 2.—The weather remains cold on the prairies, but rain and snow has almost ceased at all points. There has been a slight snowfall in the last twenty-four hours in several districts of Alberta and Saskatchewan. The prospects are for dry cool weather for a few days, favorable for drying out the ground, but too cold in some places to permit of the resumption of seeding operations. At all points on the prairies there have been from ten to twenty degrees of frost in the last twenty-four hours. In the Edmonton and Lethbridge districts the temperature dropped to within a few degrees of zero.

FUNERAL NEAR COBOURG OF REV. DR. BURWASH

Toronto, April 2.—A quiet funeral service for the late ex-Chancellor Burwash was conducted at 5 p. m. yesterday at the home prior to the removal of the remains to Cobourg for burial. Brief addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Henderson, Rev. Dr. Workman, Rev. Dr. Reynard and others. Rev. Dr. Henderson and Professor Michael conducted the service. The interment will take place at Baltimore, near Cobourg, to-day.

AEROPLANE LOSSES.

London, April 2.—(By the Association Press.)—How necessary the rapid building of aeroplanes is can be gathered from the official reports of losses on all battlefronts during February. These totaled 361, of which 245 fell on the Western front, eighty-five in Italy, three in Palestine, three in Macedonia and one in Mesopotamia. The Allies report that 273 German and Austrian machines were brought to earth by British airmen, while the German headquarters claim to have brought down eighty-eight Allied machines on the various fronts. The losses for December on the Western and Italian fronts alone were 390.

IRRIGATION CONVENTION.

Nelson, April 2.—The 1918 convention of the Western Canada Irrigation Association will be held in Nelson on three days during the last week in July, probably on the 23rd, 24th and 25th. This was decided at a preliminary meeting held yesterday.

Everyone will know your printing has been done in this city if this label appears on it. Ask for it.

JUNKERS AGAINST LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Semi-Official Statement Issued at Berlin Scouts the Idea

Amsterdam, April 1.—Via London, April 2.—(By the Associated Press)—For the first time in Germany a semi-official statement dismisses the idea of a league of nations as fantastic and impossible. The statement, as published in the German papers, says: "We do not see that a league of nations could offer any guarantee of lasting peace among men. The nations would perhaps greet such a league with joy, but in due time they would learn to curse it, because it could not fail to deceive all their hopes most cruelly. The only possible result would be continual strife and quarrelling and finally perhaps a fresh war in which the whole world would be involved. So far as Alsace-Lorraine is concerned, we decline all leagues and congresses."

LONDON TIMES SAYS GOUGH REMOVED FROM COMMAND OF ARMY

London, April 2.—The Times dealing with the battle in France, says: "The bright spot is the steadfastness of the Third Army under General Sir Julian Byng which stood like a rock against successive waves of assault and maintained its line intact despite the failure of the Fifth Army, on its right. In regard to the latter, there already has been a change of command."

It was General Sir Julian Byng who commanded the British drive against Cambrai, which was checked by a German counter-attack. General Byng is now supposed to be in command of the British forces before Arras. The Fifth Army, in which, says The Times, a change in the command was made, was under command of General Gough.

KILLED BY GERMANS.

New York, April 2.—Edward H. Landon, whose wife and two daughters, it is now known, were killed in Paris when a shell from a long range German gun struck a church there on Good Friday, is a retired New York attorney, who has been in Paris most of the time since the war started. Mrs. Landon was a niece of Levi P. Morton, former Vice-President of the United States and once Governor of New York.

Paris, April 2.—Further identification shows that three members of the Landon family, of New York, who had been residing in Paris, were killed on Good Friday when a shell from a long-range German gun struck a church. They were Mr. Mary Landon, wife of Edward Landon, of New York, and his daughters, Mrs. Lucy Landon Speed, wife of Captain Ralph Speed, of the British army service corps, and Miss Ruth Landon.

COMING TO VICTORIA.

Winnipeg, April 2.—W. J. Black, Commissioner of Agriculture for Canada, arrived here last night on a tour of the Western provinces, to confer with the respective Departments of Agriculture on instructional work to be undertaken during the current year. Mr. Black says that in the Province of Ontario it is expected the increase of acreage will aggregate 1,000,000 acres; in Quebec 800,000 acres, and in the maritime provinces 400,000 acres.

Mr. Black will visit Regina, Edmonton and Victoria.

PRAYERS FOR CROPS.

Halifax, April 2.—A provincial Order-in-Council made public yesterday appoints "a week of dedication and preparation for the period of food production now approaching, beginning on April 7."

The Order-in-Council urges the clergymen of the province to make a special appeal on that day for greater food production, and requests the municipal councils to promote the same object at their sessions this month.

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Every variety of the belted, the military, the high waisted, and the long line effects is fully represented in a complete range of the new spring shades.

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Is this in your Parcel?

Anyhow be sure to include some Zam-Buk in your next parcel to the men in the trenches. Zam-Buk is "a complete surgery within a two-inch box."

Sapper G. T. Webster, 2nd Field Co., Canadian Engineers, writes: "I cannot get along without Zam-Buk. It's just splendid for fixing up sores, cuts, sprains, etc."

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The soldier who carries a box of Zam-Buk in his pocket will be saved much unnecessary suffering. Instant application of this antiseptic balm to a wound prevents all possibility of festering and blood-poisoning. Its magic aid will save a soldier from reporting sick. Zam-Buk is the soldier's ideal first aid, because it is a most wonderful healer and is so concentrated that a little of it goes a long way.

All its goodness comes from rare herbal essences. Zam-Buk is not diluted with rancid animal fat like common ointments are, and will therefore keep for an indefinite period. Keeps a box of Zam-Buk always handy at home. It is equally good for eczema, ulcers, boils, chronic sores, ringworm, pimples and piles. All druggists and stores, or Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, 50c. box, 3 for \$1.25.

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Another Shipment of Those Smart Donegal Tweed Skirts to Sell at



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—We opened them up yesterday, and we welcome this new lot, because it enables us to again supply all sizes. The first shipment sold very quickly—this one will sell equally so. The values represent some of the best we have seen this season—especially for such a reasonable price. Tailored beautifully from all-wool Donegal tweeds in brown and grey shades, finished in high waisted effect with stitched straps, side pockets and pearl buttons. A splendid Skirt for general utility wear. Special value at **\$7.50**.

—Mantles, First Floor

More New Styles in Better Grade Voile Waists

—We opened up this interesting assortment of new style Waists yesterday. The styles are new and dainty, featuring better values in White Voiles; embroidered, tucked, pleated and lace trimmed; square and shawl collars; also other features that will make them of real interest to you. Better come in and see them. The prices range **\$3.50** to **\$7.50**.

—Waists, First Floor

A Special Range of Black and White Coats to Sell Wednesday Morning at \$8.75

—made in the three-quarter length, finished with tailored collar, belt at waist line and button trimmed.

—Smart inexpensive models for spring wear.

—Mantles, First Floor

Big Variety of Serviceable Rompers

Children's Colored Print and Gingham Rompers, in light and dark colors. Sizes 6 months to 4 years. Special at **50¢**.

Heavier Quality Gingham Rompers, with long or short sleeves; in pink and blue check patterns; sizes 1 to 2 years. Special value at **75¢**.

Cotton Crepe Rompers, in fast colors of blue, pink, grey and rose; sizes 1 to 3 years. Each, **75¢** and **85¢**.

Dainty Style Rompers of colored crepe, in shades pink, rose, pale blue and sage; finished with smocking in front, thus giving a smart finish; sizes 1 to 3 years. Each, **\$1.00** and **\$1.25**.

—Children's, First Floor.

Fancy Linens, Bedspreads and Comforters at Special Prices for Wednesday's Selling

—Another opportunity for you to replenish your bedding needs at lowest cost. The following items are all specially priced for a quick morning sale.

75¢ Fancy Linens at 50¢

—A lot that includes both runners and squares. The squares measure 30 x 30, and the runners 17 x 51, all with neatly hem-stitched borders and drawn thread worked designs; many prettily embroidered.

Honey Comb Bedspreads, Worth \$3.00, Selling at \$2.25

—A strong quality Quilt with fringed ends; only a limited stock, and we cannot repeat at anything near this price. Suitable for medium size beds.

Eiderdown Comforters at Below To-day's Mill Prices

—by purchasing your Eiderdown Comforters now you save from \$3.00 to \$5.00 each. You are also more certain of getting quality. The new samples shown by Travellers to-day do not compare with the old qualities very favorably. Our end of season prices range **\$8 to \$15**.

—Staples, Main Floor

Another Advance in Men's Starched Collars Will Take Effect Shortly

—We make this advance notice to enable our many customers to fill in their needs while our present stock enables us to sell at the old figure, 3 for **50¢**, or dozen **\$2.00**.

—The new advance price will be **20¢** straight, so there's a clear saving of forty cents on a dozen.

Don't delay—the new price comes into effect just as soon as our new stock takes the place of the old.

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Imported Oxford Shirts for Youths and Boys

—Strong, and a most serviceable grade for general wear, work or school. Made from a good range of light stripes in blue and black on white ground. Finished with neckband, also with attached turn-down collars—button down back and front.

Sizes for boys, 11 to 12½ neck, each **75¢**.

Sizes for youths, 13 to 14 neck, each **85¢**.

—Boys' Shirts, Main Floor

A Special Range of Men's Sweater Coats Clearing at \$3.95

Worth \$5.75

—A few dozen only of these Coats, in a nice medium weight, finished with shawl or military collar and two pockets. Well knit, in sizes 36 to 44 chest. In colors brown, maroon, fawn and grey, also combination shades. Special at **\$3.95**.

—Men's Sweaters, Main Floor

April Bargains in Jacobean Style Dining-Room Suites

Two Complete Sets of Nine Pieces to Go at **\$68.50**



—These are strong serviceable Dining Room Sets, soundly constructed from satin walnut, finished in a dark antique style. The set comprises extending dining table, buffet to match with antique pattern handles to cupboards and drawers, bevelled plate mirror measuring 36x9 inches. Full size china cabinet, 3 ft. 4 in. wide and 5 ft. 3 in. high, fitted with glazed doors and sides and shelves inside, 5 Tables and 1 arm chair finished with Art Craft leather padded seats. Worth in the regular way \$95.50. Special April Bargain, Wednesday, a set **\$68.50**.

—Furniture, Fourth Floor

Men's New Model Suits at \$15.00 to \$30.00

—Our new Suits for men and young men include smart styles and splendid values from as low as \$15.00. Good sturdy weaves that will stand hard wear and give good service. Other values selling at **\$18.00, \$20.00, \$22.50** and up to **\$30.00** embrace all the smartest styles and new patterns of the season in better-grade fabrics.

—There's the new belted models, semi-fitting, also the two and three-button more conservative styles. Suits to suit and fit men of every type and all builds. Suits that will make you look smart and well dressed.

—Worth your while investigating our Suit values, for we have marked all our Men's and Boys' Spring Clothing at Rebuilding Sale prices—while the rebuilding operations are going on.

—Men's Clothing, Cor. View and Broad Sts.



Spencer's "Victrolac"

For Your Floors and Furniture

—This is a good varnish stain—one that covers well and gives a nice bright glossy finish. Dries hard and smooth. In shades walnut, light and dark oak.

100 pints. Special to-day at **41¢**.

100 quarts. Special to-day at **74¢**.

—Paints, Second Floor.

Children's Cashmere Jerseys

—of fine grade wool, in colors navy, brown, cardinal, grey and white. Suitable for ages 2 to 12 years. Each, **\$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25** and **\$2.50**.

—Children's, First Floor



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—Corsets, First Floor

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—The following Gowns represent very special values. They are well made from good, serviceable quality materials, nicely shaped and in good styles.

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—**Nightgowns** of extra good quality white cotton, round yoke of embroidery; full sizes, several styles. Special, each **\$1.50**.

—**Nightgowns**, of fine nainsook; neck and sleeves trimmed with fine Swiss embroidery. Special at **\$1.50**.

—**Nightgowns**, of good quality cambric, high neck and long sleeves; yoke and sleeves trimmed with embroidery. Extra O.S. sizes. Special, at **\$1.50**.

—**Nightgowns**, of good quality nainsook, empire style, trimmed with imitation Cluny lace. Special, at **\$1.50**.

—Whitewear, First Floor

Light Weight Wool Mixture Underwear for Men at \$1.35 a Garment

—Stanfield's well-known make, and thoroughly reliable. A nice light weight wool mixture, natural shade and elastic rib. All sizes in both shirts and drawers. A garment **\$1.35**.

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We have a shipment of Early Rose Seed Potatoes that will arrive in a few days. We will sell them at 8 lbs. for... **25¢**
Per sack of 100 lbs. for... **\$2.90**
Leave your orders now.

Robin Hood Porridge Wheat, in drums, **20¢** and... **34¢**
Robin Hood Cleaned Bran (for cooking), 2-lb. sacks... **15¢**
Robin Hood Rolled Oats, in bulk, 3 lbs. for... **25¢**
Lowney's Cocoa, 1-lb. tins **46¢**, 1/2-lb. tins **24¢**, 1.5-lb. tins... **10¢**
Lowney's Sweet Chocolate, 1/2-lb. cake **20¢**, 1/4-lb. cake... **10¢**

SPECIAL TO-MORROW

Reception Flour in 98-lb. Sacks. Through the fault of the railway company some of these sacks were damaged in shipment. The regular price of these is \$5.75. To-morrow morning the price is... **\$5.25**

Fine Local Potatoes, per sack 100 lbs. for... **\$1.63**
Empress Marmalade, 4-lb. tins... **70¢**
Pendray's Water Glass, per tin pts. **30¢**, quarts... **55¢**, gals... **\$1.00**
Flake White (Better than Lard), per lb... **32¢**
Government Creamery Butter, per lb. **55¢**, 3 lbs... **\$1.62**
Sliced Raw Ham, per lb... **45¢**

SPECIAL ALL THE WEEK

Folding Lunch Boxes, regular 45¢, for... **36¢**
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A BEDTIME STORY

UNCLE WIGGILY AND JACKIE'S TAIL

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(By Howard R. Garis.)

"Thump! Thump! Thump!" sounded a noise outside the hollow stump bungalow where Uncle Wiggily Longears, the bunny rabbit gentleman, lived with Nurse Jane Puzzy Wuzzy, his muskrat lady housekeeper.

"Someone's at the door," said the rabbit.

Nurse Jane opened it and there sat Jackie Bow Wow, the puppy dog boy.

"Oh, Uncle Wiggily!" barked Jackie. "Do you think you can fix it for me?"

"Fix what?" asked the bunny uncle, who had just eaten his breakfast.

"Have you broken your spinning top or your flying kite?"

"Neither one," answered the little puppy chap, "but could you fix a hook on the end of my tail, Uncle Wiggily?"

"A hook on the end of your tail?" cried the bunny. "What in the world do you want with such a thing as that, Jackie? I never heard of such an idea. Never! A hook on the end of your tail? What for?"

"So I can hang by it upside down in a tree," answered the puppy dog boy, "and swing like Jack-o-Kinkytail, the monkey chap. Please, Uncle Wiggily, can't you make a hook on the end of my tail?" and Jackie, who had been thumping on the front door with his tail, now wagged it at the bunny rabbit.

"A hook on the end of your tail?" said Uncle Wiggily, surprised like and not at all comprehending.

"So I can hang by it like the monkey chap," added the doggie boy.

"But Jackie hasn't a hook on the end of his tail!" said the bunny. His just naturally curls around a tree branch, as a real boy curls his fingers around a baseball bat. Jackie has no hook on the end of his tail."

"Well, I've got to have something like that on the end of mine or I can't hang upside down," said Jackie. "I tried to do it with my tail the way it is now, and I fall every time."

"I should think you would!" said Uncle Wiggily. "Puppy dog boys are not made to hang by the ends of their tails."

"But I want to—so much!" barked Jackie. "Look, I can almost do it."

With that the puppy dog trotted over to the side of the porch of the hollow stump bungalow and tried to hang upside down there. But his tail wouldn't hook on to the railing, and Jackie fell into a mud puddle.

"See!" he barked. "That's the way it is every time! I fall, but I don't mind the mud, 'cause Peetle and I are going swimming in the duck pond after school, anyhow. But I can't hang by my tail when it hasn't a hook on the end; and please, can't you make one, Uncle Wiggily?"

"No, I'm sorry to say, I can't," answered the bunny uncle. "Monkey boys' tails are made for them and puppy dogs' tails for puppy dogs. Be content with what you have, Jackie."

But Jackie wasn't. He looked sad as he trotted off to school, first taking a roll in Uncle Wiggily's grass to clean some of the mud from the puddle off his shaggy fur.

"I don't know what to think about Jackie," said Uncle Wiggily to himself a little later that day when he went out for a walk in the woods. "I guess I'll stop at the hollow stump school and have the lady mouse teacher give the children a little lesson in being happy and content with the tails they

have themselves and not to want tails of other animals."

Uncle Wiggily went to the hollow stump school, and as he looked in an open window he heard the lady mouse teacher saying:

"Oh, dear! I'm sure I don't know what to do. In the night some bad old rat broke into the school and took away all the blackboard erasers. Now

"I can waggle my fluffy hairy tail to clean the boards of the chalk marks that are all over them. And until the boards are clean I can't draw you any nice, funny pictures."

Then up spoke Jackie Bow Wow, the little puppy dog.

"If you please, lady mouse teacher," he said, "I can clean off the blackboards for you without the regular erasers."

"How?" she asked.

"I can waggle my fluffy hairy tail over the chalk marks and they will all go away," said Jackie.

"Please do it!" begged the lady mouse. And Jackie did and soon the blackboards were all clean, and the teacher drew such nice, funny pictures that all the animal children laughed.

"Oh, hello, Uncle Wiggily!" called Jackie as he saw the bunny at the window. "Say, I guess it's a good thing you didn't put a hook in my tail after all, 'cause if you had I couldn't have cleaned the blackboards."

"That's right!" said the bunny. And, if the candy cane doesn't go out walking with the lollipop stick and forget to come back to help the ice cream cone tickle the chocolate cake, I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily and Buddy's whistle.

MRS. MCCLUNG TO-NIGHT

Famous Author-Lecturer Will Speak on "Conservation of Life."

At Centennial Methodist Church to-night Mrs. Nellie McClung, the famous

author and lecturer, will give an address on "The Conservation of Life."

Owing to the indisposition of Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Ralph Smith, M.P.P., has kindly consented to preside. The lecture, which commences at 8 o'clock, is under the auspices of the Conservation of Life League and will deal largely with conditions affecting the welfare of the child.

Mrs. McClung is not only an orator but a fearless constructive critic. She always has a message and she illuminates any subject she discusses. Those who have never heard her speak will find her at her best in discussing this subject, which has engaged her attention for many years.

Last night Mrs. McClung addressed the Vagabond's Club at Dr. Ernest Hall's house on "The War's Message of Democracy." There were over fifty members and visitors present and an interesting discussion followed the address.

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MISS NEILSON-TERRY CHARMS BIG AUDIENCE

Eminent Actress Received Ovation at Royal Victoria Theatre Last Night

The vicissitudes of an Irish girl, from the time when she emerges from her chrysalis as a washerwoman in a Harlem, New York tenement, until her transformation into a butterfly of fortune as an "Earless," forms the theme of the refreshing comedy presented by the eminent English actress, Miss Phyllis Neilson-Terry and her strong company of players at the Royal Victoria Theatre last night. The play scintillates with funny situations and amusing dialogue, and from the rise until the fall of the curtain the huge audience was kept in a state of side-shaking mirth.

The plot centres around the adventures of Maggie Regan, who while plying her trade of washerwoman, indulges in romantic dreams, fostered by frequent perusal of novelettes, her ideal consummation of happiness being "to lie in a hammock, and have six dukes bring you cucumber sandwiches." These dreams, however, do not prevent her frequent descent into more mundane spheres, and she figures in various tirades and wordy duels with a neighboring rival in the clothes-washing sisterhood.

Inherits Fortune.

Comes along an English soldier who proceeds to acquaint Maggie with the news that she is the long-lost daughter of the Earl of Ballycrane, and after being thoroughly convinced of the honesty of his intentions Maggie departs from America to assume her duties as chatelaine of her Irish ancestral estates. Her descent upon that sphere of propriety, with her caustic wit and East-side slang in no whit diminished, evokes many amusing situations, but fortunately for the happiness and peace of mind of all concerned, including the "Earless" (as Maggie terms herself, it is discovered that she is not the rightful heiress and goes back to her Harlem home rejoicing.

Miss Neilson-Terry is a finished actress and portrays the whole gamut of the emotions with a versatility reminiscent of her talented mother, Julia Neilson. Her presentation of the Irish girl, imbued with the part with a refreshing ingenueness which endeared Maggie to the hearts of the audience, and made of her cruder a feast of enjoyment. She was ably supported by John Macfarlane as Dennis Moran, her lover, with somewhat pugilistic tendencies; Miss Zella Repton, who invented the role of Lady Ethel with true aristocratic arrogance; Miss Phyllis Elph, as Kate Carmichael, the real heiress, engaged as companion for the untrained Irish girl; Miss Despard, as Christy, a poor French maid; Miss Susanne Morgan, who gave an excellent character-sketch of an Irish washerwoman; Edgar Norton, who cleverly interpreted the part of Mr. Kilburtin, the typical suave family solicitor; Leopold Stark, as Totiwiler, the very correct footman, imbued with the traditional dignity of the English manservant, was the butt of Maggie's pleasantries, and the object of attention on the part of Nobuchadnezzar, Maggie's goat; David Glassford, as the tracheal Earl of Wickfordshire, and Arthur Lewis gave a finished performance as the Bishop of Baychester, who is tricked into many situations somewhat detracting from the dignity of "the cloth" through his championship of the Irish girl.

Great Ovation.

At the conclusion of the performance, Miss Neilson-Terry was accorded a spontaneous ovation, which elicited a graceful little speech, expressing her satisfaction at having carried her audience away from the thoughts of war and strife for a few brief hours and thus accomplishing her aim in presenting the comedy. She then led the audience in the singing of the National Anthem.

The comedy will be presented to-night, and Victorians will doubtless again assemble in force to enjoy one of the most delightful plays which the city has seen, and to revel in the artistry of one of the most talented of the younger generation of English actresses.

Social Personal

Miss Georgia Maxwell is visiting in Vancouver as the guest of Miss Betty Maxwell at the Hotel Gifford.

Miss Daisy Harris, of Victoria, returned to the city yesterday after spending the past few days in Vancouver.

Miss Victoria Phipps returned to the city yesterday from Vancouver, where she has been the guest of Mrs. Gamble Geddes for some days.

Col. and Mrs. Peters have had as their guests for the Easter vacation, Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Fletcher and Miss Hope Fletcher, of Vancouver.

Right Rev. J. H. Lofthouse, D. D., of Bishopstowe, Kenora, Ont., Bishop of the Missionary Diocese of Keewatin, arrived in the city yesterday and is registered at the Empress Hotel.

Owing to the serious illness of Dr. O. M. Jones the silver tea and formal opening of the new Nurses' Home, of the Jubilee Hospital, which was to have been held to-morrow afternoon, is indefinitely postponed.

Mrs. Alex. Manson, accompanied by her child, has arrived in the city to join Mr. Manson, who represents the Omnica constituency in the Provincial Legislature. Mrs. Manson is staying at the Empress Hotel, and will remain in the city for the duration of the session.

The West Saanich Women's Institute held an informal reception on Friday

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evening last, that all might have an opportunity to welcome home Messrs. Johnstone and Westgate, who have recently returned from the front. A short musical programme contributed much to the pleasure of the event. The members of the Institute will hold a military five hundred party in the West Road Hall on Friday, April 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Sutherland, of Victoria, who have just returned from England, are the guests until Thursday of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Richardson, of Winnipeg, en route to their home in this city. They are accompanied by their son, Lieut. Victor Sutherland, who has obtained three months' leave from the front.

The monthly recital given by Miss K. McGregor was held in the concert room of the B. C. Academy of Music last night. The room was effectively decorated with spring flowers and plants. Some of the numbers on the programme were exceptionally good, and the whole entertainment was greatly enjoyed by the enthusiastic audience. Miss McGregor is to be congratulated on the success of her recitals, which are proving to be a real stimulus to musical interest, and are helping young students to overcome the fear of singing in public. Next month Miss McGregor intends giving a Schubert evening.

A most enjoyable evening was spent at the Empress Hotel last night by the several hundred guests who attended the Easter Monday dance, given by "J" Unit Chapter, I. O. O. E. From 9 o'clock until 1 the attractive ballroom was crowded with happy couples stepping to the rhythm of airs rendered perfectly by the Empress orchestra under the leadership of Professor Lou Turner. The ballroom itself was tastefully decorated with large banners of the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes, while on the floor many beautiful gowns made a picturesque blending of colors. The dance was held under the distinguished patronage of His Honor, the Lieut.-Governor and Lady Barnard, Commander Shenton, Major-General Leckie, G. O. C., Lieut.-Col. Harvey, Lieut.-Col. Major and Major Seely-Smith. Mrs. North, the regent, was assisted in receiving the guests by the vice-regents, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. J. S. Hawley, and Corpl. C. H. Lee and Pte. Turner. The charge of the door receipts. Both the naval and military units of the district were well represented, a large party of officers from the China station being in attendance. Sergt.-Major Dawson and Mr. Edwards, the floor committee shared extensively in merited praise, while the Chapter's officers expressed their appreciation of Manager Calza's many courtesies. In the apartments adjoining the ball-room fourteen tables were engaged in military five hundred, directed by Mr. Wilby. As a result of the dance the Chapter expects to swell its treasury considerably. Prizes for the military five hundred contest were kindly donated by Mrs. Rattenbury, Mrs. W. A. Clarke, and Messrs. Smith and Woodward.

ROYAL VICTORIA

Mary Pickford's latest picture for Artcraft, "Stella Maris," which is to be shown at the Royal Victoria Theatre to-morrow, has been taken from the novel by the celebrated English writer, Wm. J. Locke. In his other stories, some of which are "Jaffrey," "The Portunate Youth," "The Beloved Vagabond" and "Simple Septimus," as well as the charming story of "Stella Maris," Mr. Locke has wrought his characters of fiction with rare skill and with an unusual perception of the finer elements of human understanding. The characters of his books stand out with the vividness of real people, moving in a world splendidly pictured by the novelist. He has been able to reach a narrative of sublime pathos in the story of "Stella Maris," a book which lends itself well to the rare talents of Miss Pickford. The photodramatization of the story was in the hands of Miss Frances Marion, who also adapted for the screen Mary Pickford's other recent successes, "Bebecca of Sunnybrook Farm" and "The Little Princess."

JAZZ MELODY HOLDS PANTAGES AUDIENCE

Syncopated Airs Prove Irresistible in the Modern Cabaret

After hearing the Tennessee Five Jazz Band one no longer wonders why New Yorkers and, in fact, dancers from Atlantic to Pacific, have gone "jazz mad." There simply is no chance to resist those syncopated melodies. Miss Billie Richmond appearing in "The Cabaret De Luxe" on Pantages holiday bill scored a decisive hit at the first performance yesterday when her whirlwind act with its dash of mirth, melody and pretty dances took a crowded house completely by storm. Considered as a true depiction of the modern cabaret with its accompaniment of jazzing musicians, it is hardly to be wondered that this delightful variety of ragtime melody has ever been associated with speed. It is simply one flash after another. Nor can it be said that the display of energy is by any means confined to the dancers. That Tennessee Jazz Band gave a flashier exhibition of just how nimble a musician can be than might have been expected from such a dignified quintette. The drummer, indeed, had a little turn all his own and performed it with dexterity that sprung a distinct surprise for a matinee audience.

Little Miss Merna Kahler and her equally juvenile brother are not headliners on the current week's bill at the popular vaudeville house but this dainty little lady, ably assisted by her chivalrous partner, opens the show with an act that turns all criticism aside. It is certainly evident that it will be only a matter of a few years before this little footlight personality will hold a coveted position among the stars of stagerland. Yesterday she danced and sang her audience into the very best of humors bringing smiles to the severest countenance.

The headline attraction is a production staged by Professor H. Armand, one which he considers a masterpiece. "The Destruction and Bombardment of Rheims." Professor Armand has brought within the confined walls of the modern stage a unique setting, showing the wonderful city in its pre-war state. It is represented in peace and quiet, as it stood before the fateful day of September when Prussian arms laid waste its magnificence. In a manner, realistic as the circumstances permit Professor Armand has sought to reproduce the picture of the night attack, the destruction of the historic cathedral and the burning of the city.

Miss Mary Dorr, a little magnetic maid of mystery impersonates some well-known types to perfection, while Gilroy, Haynes and Montgomery are responsible for a singing act entitled "The Deputy." Clyde Hager and Walter Goodwin feature their latest ballad hit, "I Lose My Heart to a Wonderful Girl in the Heart of the Berkshire Hills."

In the ninth episode of the "Hidden Hand" are some thrilling adventures that round out to perfection an acceptable holiday bill.

DOMINION THEATRE

The new film sensation "Tarzan of the Apes," which commenced the week's attraction at the Dominion Theatre yesterday afternoon occupied, in its presentation a company composed of twenty principals, directors, camera men and a crew of stage builders to the Amazon River district of Brazil and thence to the interior of the Brazilian jungles, where two months were spent making the scenes of the story for use in the picture. Six lions, four tigers and a number of panthers, wild boars and elephants were transported to the Brazilian wilds.

For the purposes of the story four lions and a number of other wild animals were killed before the camera.

Over 2,000 natives were engaged, assembled at Manaus and transported inland and rehearsed for three weeks before the scenes typifying cannibal action were staged. As the natives spoke nothing but a Portuguese patois, a number of interpreters were kept constantly on the scene and busily engaged conveying the director's wishes.

"A cannibal village covering three acres of ground was built and burned to the ground during the action of the play, and rebuilt from another angle and again burned when Tarzan, at the head of a group of elephants, ranged through the village to avenge the death of his aged mother. Three hundred thatched roof huts were built, each time.

Nine cars, six Pullmans and three baggage, were required to transport the company from Los Angeles to New Orleans where a number of scenes were staged. Sixteen sheds, similar to those at our army cantonments, were erected in Brazil for the housing of the members of the company. Two hundred thousand feet of film were exposed at a cost of \$300,000.

COLUMBIA THEATRE

"The Frozen Warning," showing at the Columbia again to-day, is a five-part production of entertaining quality which will appeal to many by way of its novelty. Charlotte, the famous skater, is featured in the picture, and is discovered to be a young woman of unusual talent. Her work is pleasing, and the picture, which is directed by Oscar Eagle, is artistic in location, photography and general style.

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CITY OF VICTORIA BILL IS UNDER WAY

First Four Clauses Disposed of by Private Bills Committee

VARIETY OF OPINION AIRED THIS MORNING

John Dean Relates Hopeless Example of Tax Burden

The Committee on Private Bills met at the Parliament Buildings this morning to take up the question of the Victoria City Relief Bill, and the result of its labors was the tentative agreement on the first four clauses of the proposed measure. A good deal of discussion preceded the actual treatment of the Bill proper, the major portion of which centered round the various views concerning whether there should or should not be a fixed assessment figure. The question of whether or not an adjustment should be arrived at by a local Board of Commissioners or by an outside expert, possessing no interest in the city's affairs, similarly came in for review.

Real Estate Exchange View.
C. T. Cross, representing the Victoria Real Estate Exchange, placed the views of that organization before the Committee. These views follow in part:

"The Victoria Real Estate Exchange approves the objects and general principles of the Bill. It considers, however:

"1. That no satisfaction will be obtained without a reassessment based upon relative values, keeping in view that the total valuation of the city should not be reduced below forty-five million dollars.

"2. That such reassessment should be made by independent commissioners appointed by the County Court Judge.

"3.—No person should serve as such Commissioner who is or has been a member of the Victoria City Council or who is indebted to the city for any taxes, general or local improvement.

"4. The remuneration of such Commissioners should be large enough to secure the services of properly qualified persons or else the positions should be honorary.

"5. The Assessment Roll of 1917 should be used as a basis to work from as it would furnish a margin of nine millions to use for reductions whereas from the 1915 Assessment the margin would only leave three and a half millions, before the minimum total of forty-five millions was reached.

"10.00 a Day.
Mayor Todd observed in relation to the Commission that the figure of ten dollars a day would be found to be ample while he felt sure that many loyal citizens would offer their services free in that connection.

J. J. Shalloo said that it was just as illogical to inflate assessments during a period of prosperity as it was to default them during times of depression. This in regard to the minimum assessment figure as required by the financial houses, and in explanation of a question on the subject.

Credit Always Good.
F. A. McDiarmid, solicitor to the Union of B. C. Municipalities, said that the sale of Victoria's bonds was by no means dependent upon any particular assessed value and that dollar for dollar, bond for bond, and issue for issue, Victoria had been accorded a much better showing on the London market than had Vancouver. He was speaking generally of peace time flotations.

The reason was not far to seek and the very fact that this city was the Capital City of the Province was sufficient guarantee to the financial world that the highest credit mark would gravitate to the city where the seat of Government was situated. He maintained that fixing the assessed value at \$45,000,000 was merely placing a superficial value with the fixed intention to delude. The whole thing was a barefaced fraud.

Independent Official.
Alderman Sargent could not see why the city's assessment should be beyond or inside any given figure and he was not in a position to see how the matter could be overcome either with the assessment carried out by the city's assessor or by the appointment of a local commission. The only way to a satisfactory solution with a view to arriving once and for all at the real basis of the city's credit—which after all was her assessed value—was to appoint an independent assessor with absolutely no interest in the city and who would be in a position to deal with the matter on scientific lines. It was obvious that at the present system was totally inadequate to meet the situation.

An Example.
The question of restoring an equity on certain property brought John Dean to his feet with an example which he termed as "hopeless and absolutely out of it." He quoted an instance of a man purchasing property on Douglas Street in 1911 for \$3,000, upon which he had built a six-roomed house. The assessment to-day stood at \$5,000. He is required to pay for local improvement tax at the rate of \$353.84 per annum for a period of fifty years; an annual paying tax of \$60.30 for a period of ten years; general taxes for 1917, \$158.15 per annum for ten years; \$33.93 for cluster lighting tax for ten years. So that this owner, said Mr. Dean, is liable for \$604.72 per annum for ten years, with \$353.84 strung out for fifty years. "What's the use of restoring an equity on a property like that," said Mr. Dean as he clasped the case as outside the pale and said that the

CONDITION OF DR. O. M. JONES IS MOST GRAVE

In reference to the very serious illness of Dr. O. M. Jones, who was taken to the Jubilee Hospital early yesterday morning, Dr. R. L. Fraser announced, this afternoon, that the condition of Dr. Jones remains very similar to that in which he was last night, and that it is still exceedingly very grave.

rental value of the whole business would not fetch more than \$25.00 a month.

Amazing Ignorance.
But the people did not fully realize these things, said Mr. Dean. Ignorance with respect to municipal matters was amazing.

Chairman Jackson: "Did you say amazing or appalling?"
Mr. Dean: "Both."

Continuing Mr. Dean said that the whole subject had to be approached in a general and broad fashion—no petting business would cure the situation. The people know practically nothing of the Bill under discussion. Time for payment had to be extended and a further relief of one-third and that additional general liability spread over the city as a whole, was one way to a remedy as seen by the speaker. "Let it sweat until the hard pressed man can see daylight," he added characteristically. He believed that the city of Victoria was entitled to a Government guarantee to tide her over the troublesome period. It was not a question of "weighing out" money but of backing the city's note.

Mayor Has Hopes.
The Mayor believed that next session would be due and ample time to consider possible legislative action in the manner described by the former speaker. There were two points of view from which the matter had to be met. There was first of all the case of the city as a whole and then the case of the individual. The Mayor could see a way to remedy the condition of the individual by the action that would follow the appointment of the Board of Commissioners provided for in the Bill, while the treatment of the case for the city lay in the approach to the Government. But in the interim he had hopes that conditions would improve, rendering Governmental interference unnecessary on the lines suggested by Mr. Dean. As a large property owner in the city the matter of dissatisfaction from present assessments was not at all foreign to his Worship, but he felt bound to add that the work of the City Assessor always appeared to him to be actuated with the desire to do the fair thing.

Work Out Salvation.
Mr. Thompson, member of the committee: "In other words you want a chance to work out your own salvation first?"

In this suggestion the Mayor concurred, proceeding to voice his apprehension lest the action of an independent board would lead to a reduction of assessments. He pointed out that the forty million dollar minimum was for a period of two years, and in deference to the requirements of the fiscal agents.

The Committee then proceeded to the discussion of the Bill, the first four clauses being tentatively disposed of before rising.

MANY VISITORS COMING

Canadian Trade Commissioner at Shanghai Writes on Prospective Season.

D. H. Ross, Canadian Trade Commissioner at Shanghai for China, writes to Commissioner Armstrong that a large number of persons are coming to Victoria to holiday this summer, and he has been able to convince many that the extra cost of a trip across the Pacific will not be greatly in excess of the usual journey to Japanese resorts. He is urging them to become acquainted with this part of British Columbia, and says that there is no doubt large numbers contemplate the tour.

In the same mail comes a letter from a British resident in which he indicates his intention of sending his family from Shanghai to Victoria for the summer months and the boy will be left at the University School when the mother and sister return. This is typical of the results achieved by the Victoria and Island Development Association in its Oriental campaign, which promises to secure many new visitors.

OBITUARY RECORD

The death occurred yesterday of Marjorie Gladys Norma Gwyer, the five-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Gwyer, of 1803 Chambers Street. The remains are resting at the Sands Funeral Chapel, whence they will be taken to the family residence for the funeral, to be held at 3.30 p.m. Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Wm. Stevenson will conduct service at the residence.

STRANGE NAME GROUPS.

Some years ago passengers on the short link of railway system which connects St. Helens with St. Helens Junction, on the main line of the London and North-Western Railway between Liverpool and Manchester, were accustomed to travel in the care of railway servants distinguished by their combination of color names. Black was the engine-driver and Brown a fireman. White acted as guard and Green as porter, while Brownhill, painted the signals in the box.

But perhaps the best story comes from Herefordshire. Some years ago an innovation was made in taking the collection after church service, which met with considerable opposition on the part of the laity. Beggars were adopted instead of the time-honored plate. At St. Mary's Church, Woodbridge, the first six members of the congregation to assist at the collections were named Bendall, Arnott, Gall, Manby, Edwards and Nalton. And their initials proclaimed their duties.—Tit-Bits.

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA

By W. Hamar Greenwood

Is British Columbia alive to the food situation in Canada, the United States and Allied countries? Does British Columbia realize that Canada and the United States are rapidly, by force of war conditions, going on a fish diet? The Allied countries, denuded of their tillers of the soil by the dint of war circumstances are in grave need of beef and pork. The substitution of fish for beef and pork throughout the land is being forced upon Canada and the United States, in order that beef and pork, the mainstay of the soldiers in the trenches, and the workers in munition factories, may be exported to the countries where they will, at this time, do the most good.

The most important and available substitute for beef and pork is fish. Canada and the United States, being the closest to the Allied countries, are the economical sources from which those countries must, with efficiency and safety, expect to obtain beef and pork, because ocean tonnage is limited and every ton must be made to count.

It is a commonplace that the fishery resources of the Northern Pacific waters, lapping the shores of British Columbia, if properly utilized, would feed the world. This is a grandiose statement but it has a precipitate of truth. Halibut, salmon and sable fish are plentiful in British Columbia, but they are not found in inexhaustible quantities, as the crying need for the conservation of halibut and salmon, too plainly demonstrates. Besides that owing to the fact that the demand for these high class fish is greater than the present or possible supply, the price that can be got for them is beyond the humble purse.

But there are other wholesome and nutritious food fish in the Pacific Ocean, which are less well-known, but for which a market could be obtained by the co-operation of the fish-producing companies and the Canadian Government. What is British Columbia doing in preparation for the utilization of these flat fish and many varieties of the cod family, a food in Canada and for export? Business men and capital and labor should get interested in this matter at once and construct policies whereby British Columbia may measure up to her potentialities as a factor in supplying Canada and the Allied countries with fish for food. The problem to be solved is the production of larger supplies of all kinds of deep sea fish, particularly the less known varieties, distributed through the ordinary channels of trade, greatly extended in operations and reaching the consumers of Canada, the United States and possibly the Allied countries, in good condition and at not more than war-time prices.

It may be invidious, but the question is pertinent, is British Columbia as far advanced in the business of fish production as the Atlantic Coast? So far as canned salmon is concerned, British Columbia leads the rest of Canada and so will continue under judicious encouragement and protection; and fresh fish trade in halibut, salmon and sable fish is well organized and serves a wide public on business lines firmly laid for profitable extensions if the banks are not depleted. With the less familiar varieties of deep sea fish, is British Columbia dealing as wisely as are the fish producers of the Atlantic?

On the Atlantic a revolution in the deep sea fishing industry has taken place since the war began, comparable only to the revolution in the North Sea fisheries that followed the introduction of the steam trawler and ended the day of the fishing sailing schooner. While the Pacific produces the bulk of the halibut consumed in America, the Atlantic is rich in excellent food fish, especially the true cod, the hake, the haddock, the pollock and many others. So phenomenal has been the extension of the Atlantic deep sea fisheries that the United Kingdom now looks for its supply of fresh fish to them, and they bid fair to surpass the deep sea fisheries of British Columbia, unless the West takes thought unto itself and speeds up.

The Government has treated both sides of the country with equality, so far as encouragement and protection of the fishing industry by the deep sea fishing industry by paying two-thirds of the transportation charges on certain kinds of fish from Vancouver to points as far east as Winnipeg, and one-third from Halifax to points as far west as the head of the Lakes; so that half of Canada is the domain of the western fish producers and the other half of the Atlantic fish producers. Every encouragement has been given to Canadians to take advantage of the food value of the great production of fish, but up to July, 1917, Canadians never appeared as considerable consumers of fish. The bulk of fish produced was exported and played an important part in the economic development of the country.

Halibut, salmon, and sable fish find a ready market at high prices in the large cities of Canada and the United States, which prices pay for the cost of the fish, plus a high level under the ruling force of supply and demand. Preserved fish, especially canned salmon, has found a persistent market in the United Kingdom and distant colonies, as well as Europe. Seventy-five per cent. of the pack of canned salmon in Canada is exported, while the demand for canned salmon in Canada is easily satisfied with 25 per cent. of the pack, because Canadians are not fish eaters. The price of canned salmon has not risen higher than general average prices of other commodities before or since the war, indicating that the price of canned salmon is ruled by world competition, in which the United States is the biggest competitor.

Both Pacific and Atlantic fisheries have been treated on an equality also by the Government, so far as stimulation to greater production of fish for food is concerned. The Fishery Commission of the Canada Food Board, authorized by the Government, devotes

its energies to removing trading and transportation difficulties from the progress of the Canadian fisheries and the business in all its efforts to augment production. Stimulation to greater and more efficient production is given through the ordinary channels to all branches of the industry, from the individual fisherman to the retailer who hands the fish out to the consumer.

The Atlantic deep sea fishing companies are alive to the relation of the business to the food situation in Canada, the United States and the Allied countries. They, perhaps, have been fired more readily, because of their comparative proximity to the Allied nations, which permits them to deal more expeditiously with the enormous demand created by the closing of the North Sea. Cold storages have sprung up on the Atlantic Coast on both the Canadian and the Newfoundland side. Large companies are engaged in travel fishing, the most economical method of deep sea fishing and the one that created Great Britain's pre-eminence as a fish producer before the war. The markets are expanding; the United States now permits Canadian fishing vessels to land their catches in United States ports and sell them on an equality with the United States boats. Major Hughie Green, the fish traveller par excellence, has built up a trade in fresh, frozen and preserved Atlantic fish, at the behest of the British Board of Trade. A veritable revolution in the deep sea fishing industry on the Atlantic has taken place, and it goes on gathering force to the benefit of the Allies, and the economic wealth of Canada.

Where does British Columbia stand, while the Maritime Provinces make use of the great resources with which they have been endowed? On the Atlantic there are four trawlers at work, each catching a minimum of 300,000 lbs. a month, or 1,200,000 lbs. a month altogether. On the Pacific the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Company has one trawler, the James Carruthers, operating, but also two others available when needed. A. L. Hager, of the New England Fishing Company, has trawler equipment and is keenly alive to the food situation. The British Columbia trawlers are putting a trawler on to work off the west coast of Vancouver Island, Britain and the Allies will take all the deep sea fish the Atlantic can send them. Because of the long land and water haul, British Columbia cannot hope to reach this United Kingdom market, but British Columbia can supply Canada, not only as far east as Winnipeg, but also to Halifax if necessary, as well as a large portion of the United States.

The fisheries resources of British Columbia, with its long shore line on the Pacific Ocean, are the richest in Canada, and the day seems dawning when intelligent extension of the Pacific deep sea fisheries in the interest of the war and providing fish for food for Canada and the United States, in order that beef and pork may be released for export to the Allies, should engage the attention of the citizens of the Pacific Province. There is no limit to the extension of these fisheries, should private capital and enterprise, actuated by patriotic motives, desire to avail themselves of this opportunity. As a citizen of Vancouver, may I suggest, without intending unpalatable criticism, that constructive policies for the development of the British Columbia deep sea fisheries in relation to the food situation of the world, should engross the wisdom of our business men, so that not only the material advantages of greater production of British Columbia deep sea fish shall be obtained, but also that British Columbia might more largely become a factor in winning the war with fish for food.

RED CROSS WORK

Victoria West Branch.

The Victoria West Branch of the Red Cross will hold a Military Five Hundred party in the workrooms to-morrow, Wednesday, evening at 8 o'clock. Tables may be reserved by phoning 4189L.

WIT IN THE ACADEMY.

The eminent artist, Mr. Solomon J. Solomon, who, like so many of his colleagues, has announced his intention to go to live in Palestine after the war, provided the Allies are able to carry out their expressed intention of founding an independent Jewish State there, was once the subject of an exceedingly witty impromptu, some time back, when he was comparatively unknown, he sent to the Royal Academy a striking picture of the type that has since made him famous; but not for the reason that he had been entitled to affix the letters R. A. to his name, he had the mortification of seeing his production "skyped," whereas, as a matter of course, the paintings sent by the Academicians were hung on the line. Whereupon a friend, viewing the Jewish artist's exquisitely beautiful picture, exclaimed: "There's Solomon in all his glory, but not R. A.'s like one of these."

DEAR LITTLE FELLOW!

A dashing young fellow was recently very attentive to a young lady who did not really favor his attentions, and who is blessed with an observing little brother of only a few summers' growth. The girl's admirer was visiting her a few days ago, when the little chap broke into their presence, and, mounting the dashing young man's knee, said: "Have you got a fine room?" "Oh, yes," proudly replied the dashing young fellow, whose vanity was evidently touched by the remark. Seemingly, as he thought, in the circumstances an opportunity to make a favorable impression on the sister, he gave his mouth acaustic by the remark. "I thought so," said the young hopeful, musingly. "But what made you think so?" asked the maiden's admirer, his curiosity by this time fully aroused. "Because," was the crushing reply, "Maggie said she liked your room better than your company."

COMPENSATION ACT WILL BE AMENDED

Probable That Government Employees Will Be Brought Within Its Scope.

Chairman E. S. Winn and his two colleagues of the Workmen's Compensation Board, waited upon the Premier and the Attorney-General this morning relative to amendments to the Workmen's Compensation Act. The principal alteration to the measure as now on the statute books is that recommending that all Government employees be brought within the scope of the Act.

It will be remembered that following the fatal accident which befel two of the Government's employees on the Reserve several months ago, the Hon. John Oliver announced that the policy of the Government would be to so extend the provisions of the Act as to take care of such cases as that. He also suggested to the Board in that particular case that some elasticity to the Act's provisions would be an act of justice.

Many of the amendments discussed this morning are designed to enlarge the scope of the Act and directed towards its smoother working in one or two directions. It is altogether likely that practically all the alterations suggested by the Board will meet with the approval of the Government and will be introduced to the Legislature by the Attorney-General during the next few days.

SOME FINE SPECIMENS OF MIXED METAPHORS

Some "Bulls" Up-to-Date; Parliamentarians the Chief Perpetrators;

The gentleman who, at a recent company meeting in the city, urged his fellow-shareholders to "put their shoulders to the wheel, take the bull by the horns, and milk their own cow," reminds one forcibly of the member of Parliament who convulsed the House by remarking, "Since the Government has let the cat out of the bag, there is nothing to be done but to take the bull by the horns"—a coincidence which proves that similar happy metaphors may occur to two great minds. But neither of these bulls is of quite such fine development as that of the counsel who not long ago concluded an eloquent speech thus: "Gentlemen of the jury, it will be for you to say whether the defendant shall be allowed to come into Court with unblushing footsteps, with the cloak of hypocrisy in his mouth, and draw three bullocks out of my client's pockets with impunity."

"Hearts Under Gaiters."
The naked sword is drawn for the fight," said a political orator, to the electors of Lisburne; "and, gentlemen, never again will the black smoke of Nationalists' tar-barrels drift on the Home Rule wind to darken the hearts of Englishmen." "They are getting in the thin end of the wedge by a sort of side-wind," declared a well-known M.P.—a statement which another legislator ingeniously varied when he protested against the House of Commons allowing members to "open the door to the thin end of the wedge," "Sir," said a worthy city alderman, in tones of solemnity, "a spark is often sufficient to let slip the dogs of war," while it was a well-known vicar who, when defending the bishops recently, asserted, "Bishops are not nearly so stiff and starchy as some people make them out to be. There is a good heart beating below their gaiters." "When you lay an egg, put it by for a rainy day," was the sage advice of a Conservative M. P. to the Chancellor of the Exchequer; another member, protesting against a proposed change in procedure in respect of private Bills, pleaded that it "would lead to gas bills going into the House of Commons with a red round their necks." And a Parliamentary orator in Yorkshire announced his strong opinion that "the law relating to Labor combinations must be watertight, made so that no judge can drive his coach-and-four through it."

Even such a careful speaker as A. J. Balfour is not proof against verbal lapses, for did he not refer to a thin House as "an empty theatre of unsympathetic auditors?" And even Mr. Gladstone once accused a Conservative leader of "shaking his head in the teeth of his own words."

"Spurious Vulgar Fossilism."
It was Sir Frederick Miller who, speaking in a Budget-debate, said, "A cow might be drained dry, and if Chancellors of the Exchequer persisted in meeting every deficiency that occurred by taxing the brewing and distilling industry, they would kill the cow that laid the golden milk." But a still nobler flight of metaphor was that of a member of the Queensland Legislature who warned the House that "they would keep cutting the wool off the sheep that laid the golden egg, until they pumped it dry."

"Snarles and pitfalls," said a provincial mayor, referring to a prominent local politician, "fostered him often like thunderbolts, but his lion will snarled triumphant insects at them and drowned them in the flame of the most eloquent speeches that ever rang musically, with winged words, through the desert-tangle of the House of Commons."

But, amusing as these verbal slips are, most of them must yield the palm

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 nual reunion, which will be held in
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 moved to 613 Cormorant. Just next
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Concert Postponed.—The concert to
 be given to-night in Centennial Sun-
 day school room has been postponed
 until Friday, April 19 in favor of Mrs.
 McCullum's meeting.

Mrs. Simpson is holding a Benefit
 Dance on Friday evening at the Hip-
 podrome Hall. Good Orchestra. Re-
 freshments. Tickets, 50c.

S. P. C. A. Monthly Report.—The S.
 P. C. A. report for the month of
 March shows the following cases dealt
 with: Horses, twelve; dogs, four; cat-
 tle, one; horses condemned, two.

Local Men Returning.—A C. P. R.
 train carrying several returned soldiers
 whose destination is Victoria was
 scheduled to reach Vancouver at 12.30
 o'clock. The men are expected to
 reach the city by to-morrow morn-
 ing's boat. The party includes the fol-
 lowing: G. H. Morrison, Sergt. H.
 Walker, Cnr. J. C. Hossie, Pte. A. Wil-
 liams, Q. M. S. G. E. Jones, Pte. J.
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CONFLICTING OPINION ON CITY HALL CRISIS

Suspended Officials Arrived
 Early and Left for Con-
 ference Together

Nothing that has happened at the
 City Hall for a long time has aroused
 such widespread interest as the sus-
 pension of the City Engineer, City
 Comptroller and City Treasurer by
 Mayor Todd on Saturday last, after
 being notified by circular that the of-
 fices would be open as usual.

Opinion in the city varies widely on
 the advisability of the Mayor's action
 and the attitude of the Council at the
 meeting this evening is being watched
 with considerable anxiety.

It is stated that a letter will be re-
 ceived this evening from the City
 Treasurer pointing to his anomalous
 position under the by-law governing
 the Treasury and questioning his direct
 responsibility to the Mayor instead of
 to the Comptroller. Mr. Smith's
 friends state that he has been in the
 habit of going to the Highland district
 periodically over holiday times in place
 of taking a regular summer holiday.

Before Messrs Rust and Raymur left
 for Sooke Lake, it is learned that the
 former made two unsuccessful efforts
 on Thursday to see the Mayor before
 going away, but found that he was
 engaged, and the projected absence
 was not brought to the attention of
 the Mayor accordingly.

Both Messrs Rust and Raymur have
 been frequent visitors to Sooke Lake,
 the former in connection with his du-
 ties as Water Commissioner since No-
 vember, 1912, the latter being inter-
 ested, as under him the Sooke Water-
 works was started.

The three men affected came to their
 desks, read the significant missives in
 silence this morning (they had pre-
 viously been informed by telephone)
 and departed immediately to hold a
 conference. No deputies had been ap-
 pointed, and the work in the depart-
 ments affected went on as usual under
 the other officials.

Mr. Smith is the senior employee of
 the corporation, having entered the
 service as a clerk in the city clerk's
 office in 1883, and Mr. Raymur as
 Auditor, Water Commissioner, and
 Comptroller, has been connected with
 the city for more than a quarter of a
 century. Mr. Rust came to the city
 from Toronto as engineer in May, 1912,
 and six months later was appointed
 Water Commissioner.

Set Over Till Friday.—The consid-
 eration of the private bill in con-
 nection with the proposal to incorpo-
 rate an engineering institute in British Co-
 lumbia, has been set over by the Pri-
 vate Bills Committee until Friday
 morning next, April 5. The matter
 was scheduled for discussion this
 morning but was postponed by ar-
 rangement.

Under Military Service Act.—In the
 City Police Court this morning a
 French-Canadian named Elot Cyrenne
 was remanded until Tuesday next, on
 a charge of being an absentee under
 the Military Service Act. It is un-
 derstood he was brought down from
 Alberni. No evidence was presented
 pending formal leave to prosecute from
 the Department of Justice.

Aged Men's Home.—The manager of
 the Home for the Aged and Infirm ac-
 knowledges, with thanks, the fol-
 lowing donations to date: Mr. B. W.
 Pearce, Illustrated London News; Mrs.
 Coombs, clothing; Mrs. Foskett, cloth-
 ing; Mrs. Beal, and Mrs. Tonderson,
 Saturday Evening Post; A. Friend,
 clothing; Mrs. Lindsay, papers; Alter-
 man Walker, Chambers Journals; H.
 F. Bishop, Old Country papers, and
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FUNERAL OF ALEX. WILSON

Remains of Respected Pioneer Con-
 signed to Last Resting Place Yes-
 terday; Hundreds Attend Service.

Amid every manifestation of the sor-
 rowing respect of hundreds of Victo-
 rians, the funeral of the late Alexander
 Wilson, a pioneer of the city, took
 place yesterday afternoon.

At the residence, 1315 Fort Street, a
 short private service was conducted by
 the Rev. J. Gibson Inkster, after which
 the procession proceeded to the First
 Presbyterian Church. Here Mr. Ink-
 ster offered prayer, Rev. Dr. Campbell
 delivered the funeral address and Rev.
 Dr. Maclellan pronounced the benedic-
 tion. Dr. Campbell, who for a quarter
 of a century had been the late Mr. Wil-
 son's minister, reviewed the life of the
 deceased from the time when he had
 come to the city until the time of his
 death.

The late Mr. Wilson might truly
 be called the father of Presbyterianism
 in the West, for it was he who started
 in Victoria the first Presbyterian
 Church this side of Winnipeg, said
 Dr. Campbell. "If one were to write a
 true biography of the deceased, he must
 necessarily write a history of the City
 of Victoria, so much was Mr. Wilson
 connected with its making."

Two hymns were sung by the choir,
 "The Sands of Time Are Sinking," and
 "O God of Bethel." Mr. J. G. Brown
 rendered as a solo the hymn, "Peace,
 Perfect Peace." At the graveside the
 service was conducted by the Rev. J.
 G. Inkster, pastor of deceased's church,
 after which the remains were lowered
 into their final resting place in the
 family plot.

The pallbearers were W. C. Wilson,
 E. M. Wilson, Ruthie Wilson, A. C.
 Wilson, R. McKechnie, J. A. Heritage,
 W. N. Lenfestey and J. A. McIntosh.

SOLDIER MEMBER BACK

Lieut. Frank McKenzie, Will Take His
 Seat on Opposition Benches
 This Afternoon.

Opposition benches will be strength-
 ened by one member this afternoon
 when Lieut. Frank McKenzie, member
 for the Delta riding, takes his seat.
 Lieut. McKenzie reached Victoria on
 yesterday afternoon's boat from New
 Westminster carrying a special permit
 from army headquarters in France
 granting him leave to attend to his
 legislative duties during the present
 session of the Provincial Legislature.
 It will be remembered that Lieut.
 McKenzie left New Westminster with
 an infantry battalion and was in
 a year ago, quickly reaching the fight-
 ing front in France, where he has been
 on constant service up till the time of
 obtaining permission to take a brief
 respite a short while ago.

The member for Delta expects to re-
 turn to France immediately following
 the prorogation of the House towards
 the latter end of the present month.

WITH THE ENGINEERS

Sergt. Arthur H. Bishop Was Formerly
 a Member of Police Force.

C. J. Carey, of this city, has received
 a letter from Sergeant Arthur H.
 Bishop, of the Royal Engineers, who
 enlisted with the service in this city
 some eighteen months ago. Sergt.
 Bishop at one time was a member of
 the Victoria Police Force. His wife
 and five young children, one of whom
 has never been seen, are residing on
 Langford Street, Victoria West.
 Some months ago Sergt. Bishop had
 a very narrow escape when the vessel
 on which he was travelling between
 Halifax and a Newfoundland port was
 wrecked.

Recently in the eastern part of Can-
 ada barges for river work were con-
 structed upon the knock-down princi-
 ple. The handling and stowing of the
 various parts after leaving the con-
 struction yards was under the imme-
 diate supervision of Sergt. Bishop, and
 it was the result of energy shown by
 this N. C. O. that the materials were
 delivered to their destination.

PRICE OF FISH

Food Control Board Considers That
 Matter is Up to Municipality
 to Act.

The Food Control Board, in a letter
 received to-day, practically puts it up
 to the City Council to pass a by-law
 with regard to fish prices in accor-
 dance with the Order-in-Council.

The occasion for the letter was the
 transmission to Ottawa of a resolution
 passed at the increased Production
 Committee on March 16, introduced on
 the motion of Mrs. Schofield, with re-
 gard to the price of fish on this coast.
 The communication refers to the
 Order-in-Council passed early in
 March, and which fixed the prices for
 all Pacific Coast fish except halibut,
 salmon and sablefish.

From Ottawa also come acknowl-
 edgments of a resolution endorsing the
 daylight saving plan.

PEACE

No peace, but the peace of Victory
 O'er mind and heart.
 No peace, but it bringeth thee nearer
 The one and perfect goal.
 So near thou canst hear the Deep Voice
 speak,
 "Peace be with you" to the end.
 Then thou and I will bow our heads
 And thank our God there's peace again.

No peace, but the peace of unity
 'Midst the people of every land.
 The Shepherd shall bring them under one
 fold.

They all shall be fed by His hand.
 The moon shall witness it to the stars,
 And souls of men shall see
 A Light, 'twas never on sea or land,
 When Thy children all shall worship
 Thee.

No peace, but it comprehendeth
 All that men must endure,
 When each shall help the other
 Walk the one road that is sure,
 Then the pledge of peace shall be lasting,
 Men shall wake from dreams to behold
 A world united for ever,
 With one Shepherd to feed His one fold.
 LAURA LEWIN.

DISCUSS MATTERS OF INTEREST TO NURSES

Wide Variety of Subjects
 Brought Before the Annual
 Meeting of Graduate Nurses

At the afternoon session of the sixth
 annual meeting of the Graduate
 Nurses' Association, held at the new
 Nurses' Home at the Provincial Ju-
 bililee Hospital yesterday, the proceed-
 ings opened with an address of wel-
 come by Dr. Barrett, President of the
 Medical Association of Victoria. He
 paid a compliment to the nursing sis-
 terhood who had, by their splendid
 services during the war, been largely
 instrumental in securing the extension
 of the franchise for women in so many
 parts of the Empire. Miss Jones,
 President of the Victoria Nurses' As-
 sociation, welcomed the visiting
 nurses in a happy little address, to
 which Mrs. Johnston, President of the
 Vancouver Association, responded in
 felicitous terms.

Social Service.
 "Hospital Social Service" formed the
 topic of a very interesting paper con-
 tributed by Miss Isabel Smith, of
 Vancouver, and read, in her absence,
 by Miss Annie Clark. The value of the
 social service side, as a correlative of
 the mechanical treatment of bodily ail-
 ments, inasmuch as it ministered a
 new spirit of helpfulness and served
 as the connecting link between the
 hospital life and home life of the pa-
 tient, was clearly outlined by Miss
 Smith. The various activities em-
 braced by the social service workers
 ranged from the finding of a home for
 the offspring of an unmarried mother,
 to the providing of an artificial limb
 for the patient handicapped in the
 battle of life by the loss of a member.

Organization.
 Miss McKenzie, matron of the Ju-
 bililee Hospital, read a concise paper on
 "Hospital Organization," clearly defin-
 ing the fundamental principles neces-
 sary for the proper conduct of a hos-
 pital. She dealt at length with the
 importance of the careful selection of
 the personnel of such an institution,
 declaring that from the humblest
 chore-boy up to the head of the or-
 ganization, a high ideal should be
 maintained, combined with a democra-
 tic spirit and the fostering of that
 spirit de corps so essential to the suc-
 cessful running of a hospital. The ad-
 dress was illustrated with a series of
 charts prepared by Miss McKenzie.

The following resolution, moved by
 Miss Dauphinee, seconded by Miss Mc-
 Kenzie, was passed and will be for-
 ward to the government:
 "Be it resolved, that we, the Gradu-
 ate Nurses' Association of British Co-
 lumbia, ask the Provincial Govern-
 ment to make provision for the men-
 tally defective and delinquent children
 in our Province, also for the care of
 the aged men and women who are not
 able to care for themselves."

War Conference.
 A report of the war conference of
 women, held at Ottawa recently, was
 sent to the meeting by Miss Jean Gunn,
 President of the Canadian National
 Association of Trained Nurses, in
 which she reiterated the main idea of
 the conference to the nurses, to co-
 operate with the other women's organ-
 izations in the Dominion in the matter
 of the various great problems arising
 from the war.

Miss Hubbard, dietitian at the Royal
 Jubilee Hospital, gave an excellent
 paper on "Dietetics," showing food val-
 ues and the part played by food in the
 treatment of a patient.
 At the conclusion of the afternoon
 session, an informal programme of
 music was given, to which vocal selec-
 tions were contributed by Miss Hughes,
 accompanied at the piano by Miss
 Collins, and Miss Edwards, whose ac-
 companiments were played by her sis-
 ter, Miss Norah Edwards. Both singers
 were warmly welcomed, to which they
 generously responded. A delicious
 "war-time" tea was served in the com-
 fortable lecture room, Mrs. J. H. Mc-
 Lean, wife of the Minister of Education,
 and Mrs. J. H. King, wife of the Min-
 ister of Public Works, presiding over
 the daffodil-bedecked tea table.

Minister of Education.
 At the final session held last night,
 Hon. Dr. McLean, Minister of Educa-
 tion, addressed the nurses on the sub-
 ject of the prevention and cure of tu-
 berculosis. He recalled the various
 causes which are resulting in the rapid
 spread of the disease and quoted fig-
 ures, to show the great inroads which
 the "white plague" has made on the
 life of the province. The speaker urged
 the need of greater precaution in car-
 ing for those afflicted with the disease
 and recounted the measures proposed

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Question is May One Man Keep Liquor in Another's House

Vancouver, April 2.—"Can one man lawfully keep liquor in the house of another, having had the same consigned there?"

Magistrate Shaw imposed upon himself the task of deciding this problem of the Prohibition Act to-day, and for good measure threw in the query: "Who did the Legislature mean by a common carrier or 'other person'?"

The points were brought out in the case of Milton Glendenning who was arrested here on the night of March 30 with a jug of rye whisky in his automobile. Glendenning's car was stalled in a lane near the owner's garage, and when accosted by the officer the accused said he was taking the whisky from the house of a friend, through whom he had ordered, to his own home.

This Mr. Lyons, who defended, pleaded was "taking from one lawful place to another," but Magistrate Shaw appeared to question this, as he asked whether the broad interpretation that another man's home was a lawful place in which to store liquor could be placed on the wording of the Act.

"If the Legislature has made the Act so vague that one cannot tell what is meant, would it be right to penalize my client under the circumstances?" asked Mr. Lyons, to which the court replied: "Unfortunately, Mr. Lyons, the Legislature has put it up to me to find out what it meant. The spirit of the law certainly has been broken. I will award this matter for one week for decision."

DIVINITY DEGREES.

Toronto, April 2.—Victoria College divinity convocation was held last night when degrees, prizes and certificates were bestowed upon the graduates. Degrees of doctor of divinity (honoris causa) were conferred upon Captain Rev. A. C. Lavell, B. A., of Bramford; Rev. J. W. Swanby, B. A., of Japan; and Rev. E. W. Stapleford, B. A., Regina. B. D. degrees were conferred upon L. G. Albright, B. A., W. G. Day, B. A., and S. R. Hunt, B. A.

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New York, April 2.—For the first time in nearly a year there was noted to-day a stiffening in private war risk insurance rates for vessels destined to ports of the United Kingdom. Rates quoted to-day by leading insurance brokers showed an advance from three and a half to four per cent. for belligerent ships and from six to eight per cent. for unarmed neutral vessels.

The advance, it was said, was occasioned by the increased number of ships reported sunk last week, news of the torpedoing of the Celtic and fears on the part of insurance men that better weather in the war zone would favor the enemy submarines.

SOLDIERS TO NUMBER OF 450 TRAVEL EAST FROM WINNIPEG CITY

Winnipeg, April 2.—Four hundred and fifty Western soldiers left Winnipeg for the East this morning. Four hundred were from a depot battalion of infantry and fifty were a draft of artillery. Major Dixon is in charge of the artillery and Captain A. R. Patterson is in charge of the infantry. Three other officers are in the party.

HON. N. W. ROWELL BACK IN OTTAWA

Ottawa, April 2.—Hon. N. W. Rowell, President of the Privy Council, returned to Ottawa to-day. Mr. Rowell attended a meeting of the Cabinet this morning.

INFORMATION FOR AMERICANS.

Washington, April 2.—Under orders cabled to the War Department to-day, Secretary Baker has directed that in future all information concerning the American forces in France will be made public only from the headquarters of the expeditionary force. Information about troops at home will be given out by the War Department as in the past.

NAVIGATION AT DULUTH.

Duluth, April 2.—Navigation is open at Duluth, was the word passed among marine men to-day when the sun rose out of Lake Superior, and disclosed waves where yesterday solid ice held the lake in winter shackles. The average of opening for Duluth is April 21. Last year vessels battled ice in June.

BORDEN STATES HE WILL REQUEST PARLIAMENT TO AMEND THE MILITARY ACT

Proposes That Those Resisting the Act Shall Be Put Into Ranks Without Regard to Their Class or Exemptions, Subject Only to Age Considerations

Ottawa, April 2.—Sir Robert Borden made a statement in the House of Commons this afternoon on the rioting in Quebec. He said:

"The incidents commenced on Thursday evening last. It appears that a young man named Mercier had been asked by the Dominion police engaged in the enforcement of the Military Service Act for his certificate, which he did not have with him. He was taken into custody until the certificate could be produced. As a matter of fact, under the provision of Section 15 of the Military Service Act it was his duty to produce the certificate when called upon to do so. The certificate was sent for, and was produced, whereupon he was immediately released. I am speaking of all these matters under this reserve: We have not yet received a full detailed statement of what took place. I hope that it will be presented to this House. In the meantime, I wish to reserve, am giving the facts so far as they have come to the attention of the Government."

"Subsequently it seems that a number of men pursued ten or twelve Dominion officers engaged in the enforcement of the Military Service Act. The officers took refuge in one of the police stations of the city. Evidently those who were making the attack forced their way in and some of the officers suffered very serious injuries from the handling to which they were subjected by those assaulting them."

Dominion Officers.

Sir Sam Hughes—"Were they city officers or military officers?"

Sir Robert Borden—"They were Dominion officers engaged in the enforcement of the Military Service Act."

"It would appear, so far as the Government has information at the present time, that the disturbances might have been put down without much difficulty if proper efforts had been made," continued Sir Robert.

"On the following evening an attack apparently organized in advance was made on the Registrar's office, which contained the records in connection with the Act. According to information which has reached the Government it would not have been difficult at that stage even to have prevented what subsequently took place. Again I repeat, according to the information which thus far has come to us, no adequate or reasonable effort was made to prevent a disturbance. Accordingly, the building was ransacked and I believe it was set on fire, but fortunately all the important letters came through without serious damage. They happened to be in a room other than that to which the crowd gained entrance, and where apparently the crowd thought the records were kept. Consequently very little loss of records has occurred."

Newspapers Attacked.

"Then, on that evening or the following evening other unfortunate incidents took place. Newspaper offices were attacked and wrecked and attempts were made to secure arms."

Continuing, Sir Robert said that on Saturday the developments at Quebec were such that it was deemed desirable to increase the garrison. On Saturday and Sunday, 1,000 additional troops were sent to the city and placed under the command of Maj.-General Lessard. These troops were sent from certain points in Ontario and other parts of Canada. They were soldiers who had been in training for some time.

The most serious developments were those that occurred last night, and which resulted in loss of life. Four people had been killed, a considerable number wounded and, according to the latest reports, some sixty people had been arrested.

With Restraint.

"The troops," said Sir Robert, "so far as we can judge, acted with restraint and moderation. The troops had been pelted with bricks and stones and fired upon. Eventually the fire was returned."

Commenting on these occurrences, Sir Robert said that it was the duty of the Federal Government to see that the Military Service Act was enforced. It had been enforced, he said, with impartiality, fairness, consideration and firmness by the Government in all parts of the Dominion. The Dominion Government would continue to do this in the future and see that Federal officers were adequately protected if local officers and authorities failed to give them the protection to which they were entitled.

Sir Robert said that the duty of the Government to enforce the Act would be recognized throughout the country by those who were in the first place opposed to the Military Service Act. Furthermore he was prepared to state that if in any part of the country the municipal or local authorities were unable or indisposed to preserve order, the duty of preserving order would devolve upon the Dominion Government.

Will Be Amendment.

Sir Robert then made the important announcement that with this end in view, a number of amendments to the Military Service Act would be introduced. One of these amendments would provide that persons who engaged in active or forcible resistance to this Act should be forthwith enrolled without regard to their class or exemptions which might have been granted to them, subject only to the consideration that they were of military age.

The Prime Minister's announcement was greeted with cheers.

Sir Robert added that if the people in any part of Canada felt disposed to wage war on the civil authorities, it appeared to him they might be given an opportunity of exercising their warlike spirit against the enemies of the country.

Sir Wilfrid Speaks.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier expressed a desire to make a few remarks, more particularly in view of the circumstances that trouble had occurred in a constituency which he had had the honor of representing in Parliament for forty years. He said he would agree at once with the statement made by Sir Robert that the law was to be observed. That statement would apply even to those who did not believe in it. In view of the fact that the statement made by Sir Robert was but a preliminary statement, he would defer most of his comment until a full statement had been made to the House. He desired to observe, however, that the law might be enforced in such a way as to provoke public sentiment. If enforced with proper regard for the people, he said, there would be no serious trouble in connection with its enforcement.

Sir Robert Borden said he would be glad to have any suggestions along these lines that the Leader of the Opposition might desire to make.

"Hear, hear," remarked Sir Wilfrid. Sir Wilfrid's statement, having been greeted with an interruption by a Government supporter, he remarked: "I will make my words good at the proper time."

Sir Robert Borden stated that the incident which had caused the trouble in Quebec had occurred in the streets of times in other parts of Canada.

Sir Wilfrid repeated his belief that the Act had not been judiciously enforced in Quebec City.

POPE PROTESTS TO BERLIN.

Ottawa, April 2.—"Pope Benedict has lodged a protest with Berlin against the bombardment of Paris, and especially the destruction of churches and the wholesale massacre of people," says a Reuter dispatch received here from London.

NEW HEAD OF N. Y. BANK.

New York, April 2.—James A. Stillman, son of the late James Stillman, to-day was elected chairman of the Board of Directors of the National City Bank, succeeding his father.

HIGHER RATES ASKED.

Washington, April 2.—The Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railroad to-day applied to the Interstate Commerce Commission for increased transportation rates from Chicago distributing centres to points in Eastern Canada.

A LOYALTY ELECTION.

Chicago, April 2.—Loyalty is the issue in the aldermanic election here to-day.

Washington, April 2.—Charges that German spies are interfering with the manufacture of gas masks intended for use in France were made in the Senate to-day by Senator Thomas, of Colorado, who declared that in one factory 2,500 out of 5,000 masks had been found to be defective. Even after the defective ones had been discarded a number later were found packed with those that had passed inspection, he said. Senator Thomas declared the masks had been damaged by small perforations and asserted the work was done by persons in the factory.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

MONTREAL STOCKS

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	High	Low	Last
Am. Telephone pref.	120	119	119
Bell Telephone	351	350	351
Laurel Tractor	25	25	25
Can. Cement, pref.	90	90	90
Can. Car Bldg. com.	25	25	25
Can. S. S. com.	28	28	28
Do. pref.	70	70	70
Can. Locomotive	58	58	58
Can. Gen. Elec.	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2
Civ. Inv. & Ind.	70	70	70
Can. M. & S.	25	25	25
Dom. I. & S.	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2
Dom. Textile	84	84	84
Lake of Woods Milling	185	185	185
Laurentide Co.	162 1/2	162 1/2	162 1/2
Maple Leaf Milling	97	97	97
Montreal Tram.	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Mackay Co.	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
N. & Steel, com.	100	100	100
Ogilvie Milling Co.	151 1/2	151 1/2	151 1/2
Pennam. Ltd.	74	74	74
Quebec Railway	154	154	154
Shawinigan	117 1/2	117 1/2	117 1/2
Spanish River Pulp	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
Steel of Can.	58	57 1/2	58
Do. pref.	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2
Toronto St.	48	48	48
Winnipeg Elec.	48	48	48
Dom. War Loan (old)	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2
Do. 1901	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2
Do. 1907	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2

TO-DAY'S TRADING ON WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, April 2.—There was only a small amount of trading on the local market to-day owing to the Chicago market being closed. Prices were firmer. The cash market was also quiet with little change in spreads. The demand for cash oats was fair with offerings exceptionally light. Spreads, with the exception of 2 C. W., which was slightly improved, were unchanged. Barley was in good demand at unchanged prices. The flax market offerings were light and spreads unchanged.

Grain futures markets closed half higher for May and 3 higher for July. May closed 4 cents lower for May. Flax closed 4 cents higher for May and 6 cents higher for July.

NEW YORK BOND MARKET.

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	Bid.	Asked.
Anglo-Fr. 5s.	89 1/2	90 1/2
U. K. 5s. 1914	98 1/2	99 1/2
U. K. 5s. 1915	98 1/2	99 1/2
U. K. 5s. 1916	98 1/2	99 1/2
U. K. 5s. 1917	98 1/2	99 1/2
Am. For. Sec. 5s. 1919	98 1/2	99 1/2
Fr. Govt. 5s.	125	126
Fr. Citiz. 5s.	82	83
Russ. Govt. 5s. 1921	35	36
Russ. Govt. 5s. 1926	35	36

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SOUTHERN CHINESE ARE HURRYING BACK

First Big Batch Reached Here Yesterday Aboard Empress of Russia

The arrival of over six hundred Chinese steamer passengers aboard the liner Empress of Russia yesterday the return of the first big batch of Southern Celestials in twelve months.

Since last April the regular steamships plying in the China trade, owing to lack of space, have been unable to handle this class of traffic, and as a result of the inability of the steamship lines to cater to the Chinese steamer business those natives of Southern China, holding certificates entitling them to return to Canada and the United States, have been congregating at Hongkong and Shanghai, besieging the transportation offices of the various steamship concerns in a futile effort to secure passage across the Pacific.

Thousands of Chinese have left this coast since the war started, and when the Dominion Government issued an order permitting Chinese who had previously been residents of this country to remain in China until six months after the termination of the war, thousands of the Orientals took advantage of the regulation, at least to such an extent as it suited their convenience.

Then a few months ago the edict went forth that all Chinese leaving this coast must return within twelve months of their departure or forfeit the right to return without payment of additional head-tax.

Rush For Accommodation.
On the news being flashed abroad those Chinese particularly interested in returning to Canada became greatly excited, and the steamship offices at Hongkong and Shanghai were inundated with applications for passage.

With no storage space to offer the companies operating under the British flag were unable to accept passage money and the Chinamen perforce had to remain on their native soil for an indefinite period. A small percentage managed to secure transportation on Japanese liners, and for some time past the number of Chinese traveling on N. Y. K. and O. S. K. ships has shown a gradual increase.

Favor Large Boats.
The Chinese, however, like to travel on large boats, and the big three-stackers of the C. P. R. fleet have always appealed to the natives of the Flowery Kingdom.

When it was announced that the Empress of Russia would be available for the handling of ordinary Chinese passengers the bulk of the steamer space was rapidly taken up by the Chinese agents.

It is expected that the succeeding C. P. R. liners will bring in correspondingly large lists of natives who are anxious to get back to Canada before being barred entrance by regulations.

Many Launchings Due.
Victoria will probably see the launching of the next I. M. B. ships. The War Massey, at the Foundation yard, and the War Haida, at the Cameron-Genoa yard, have been ready for the water some time, the actual launching ceremony having been held up by the delayed delivery of steel parts. The tail-shaft for the War Massey has arrived but other essential parts are still wanting.

Launchings are also due at New Westminster, Coquitlam and Vancouver.

WIRELESS REPORTS

Point Grey—Clear; calm; 30.25; 42; sea smooth.

Cape Lazo—Clear; calm; 30.21; 42; sea smooth. Spoke steamer Alameda, 7.50 p. m., eight miles north of Entrance Island, northbound.

Pachena—Clear; calm; 30.26; 41; sea smooth.

Estevan—Clear; calm; 29.96; 34; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Clear; calm; 29.92; 30; sea smooth.

Triangle—Clear; calm; 30.30; 39; sea moderate. Spoke steamer Anyox, 7 p. m., off Egg Island, northbound.

Dead Tree Point—Clear; N. E. light; 30.44; sea smooth.

Ikeda Bay—Clear; calm; 29.98; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Clear; calm; 30.24; 32; sea smooth.

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Ravalli, 3 a. m., off Sisters Light, southbound.

Pachena—Clear; S. light; 30.20; 49; sea smooth. Spoke str Princess Maquima, 10.30 a. m., leaving Clo-ose, northbound.

Estevan—Clear; calm; 30.02; 52; sea smooth.

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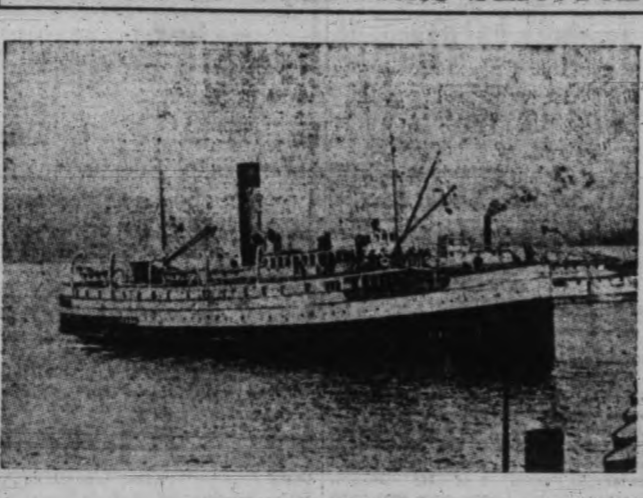
Ikeda Bay—Clear; calm; 29.98; 36; sea smooth. Spoke str Spokane, 11.50 a. m., off Pine Island, 11 a. m., southbound.

Prince Rupert—Clear; S. E.; 30.20; 50; sea smooth.

OAKUM DESTROYED IN SHIPYARD FIRE

Vancouver, Wash., April 2.—Fire of unburned oakum destroyed the Standard wooden shipyard here and burned five carloads of oakum. The loss was estimated at \$20,000, well covered by insurance. Vessels in the shipyard were not endangered and it is not believed the loss of oakum will necessitate delay in shipbuilding. An investigation is under way to determine whether the blaze was of incendiary origin.

RESUMING VICTORIA SERVICE



STEAMSHIP CAMOSUN

CHARTER RATES ARE ARRANGED BY JAPAN

Rate to Be Paid Nippon Steamship Lines for Tonnage Definitely Settled

Yokohama, April 2.—The question of the chartering of the Japanese steamers to be offered to America has been definitely settled, as the Department of Communications has agreed to give to the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha and the Toyo Kisen Kaisha yen 5 per ton in the name of insurance premium in addition to 45 shillings charterage payable by the American Government.

At the current exchange rate, the 45 shillings being yen 19.50, the charterage of these three companies' steamers is yen 24.50, which is yen 5 lower when compared with yen 27.50 charterage payable to the other companies. Thus the Government having agreed to pay yen 5 to the three companies and yen 5 to the other companies in the name of insurance premium, they will have to pay yen 69.00 per month against 100,000 tons of the three companies' steamers and yen 60,000 per month against 50,000 tons to the other companies, a total of yen 129,000 per month, which amount to yen 5,400,000 during the six months' period of charter. The time of delivery has been fixed for April 20.

The value of a yen is about 50 cents.

MEN WANTED FIXED WAGE AGREEMENT FOR DURATION OF WAR

Vancouver, April 2.—The Royal Commission investigating shipyard conditions learned yesterday on the authority of several business agents that organized labor had made several efforts to enter into a wage agreement with the employers for the duration of the war and that the employers had refused to go into conference with them.

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Union Company's Boat Will Make First Call of Year on Tuesday

Commencing on Tuesday next the steamship Camosun will resume its service between Victoria and northern British Columbia. Capt. Geo. McGregor, local agent for the Union Steamship Company of B. C. Ltd., announced this morning that the spring schedules of the company had been arranged and provided for direct weekly sailings by the Camosun from this port to Rivers Inlet, Ocean Falls and Bella Coola, with calls at Vancouver and intermediate ports.

Under the new schedule the Camosun will leave Victoria every week at 11 p. m. on Tuesdays, clearing from Vancouver at the same hour on the following day for the North. Since last Fall the steamer has been running north from Vancouver.

Sailing out of Vancouver the Chelonia will maintain the Prince Rupert-Nas River-Anxox route, leaving the mainland port at 11 p. m. on Fridays; the Venture will take care of the Skeena River-Prince Rupert run, sailing from Vancouver at 5 p. m. on Tuesdays.

On Mondays at 2 p. m. the Cowichan leaves Vancouver for Kingcome Inlet and way ports; taking the Campbell River-Rock Bay route on Thursdays at 5 p. m., and the Nanaimo-Union Bay-Cornwall run from Vancouver at 5 p. m. on Saturdays.

The steamer Cassiar sails from Vancouver for Butte Inlet on Tuesdays at 2 p. m., while on Fridays, sailing at 2 p. m., she covers the Powell River-Kingcome Inlet route.

The Cheakamus makes tri-weekly sailings from Vancouver, sailing for Leechburg Inlet on Mondays at 2 p. m.; for Powell River on Thursdays at 10 a. m., and for Savary and Cortes Islands on Saturdays at 2 p. m.

The Chilco and Chasina will maintain the Sechart-Powell River and Jervis Inlet routes respectively.

CHARLOTTE IS LAID UP FOR OVERHAUL

Announcement was made at the offices of the British Columbia Coast Steamship Service this forenoon that the steamship Princess Charlotte has been laid up for overhaul and will be out of commission for a period of two weeks.

After making a couple of trips to Prince Rupert the Princess May has returned to Victoria and has resumed her old berth at the Hudson's Bay wharf where she will remain inanimate until such time as her services as relief ship are again required.

Now that the Princess Sophia has inaugurated the 10-day service to Alaska, the Princess Royal has gone back to the Vancouver-Prince Rupert run. The Otter has been withdrawn from her absence from the Gulf Islands route the service is being maintained by the Teas.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET
Time of sunrise and sunset (Pacific standard time) at Victoria, B. C., for the month of April, 1918:

	Sunrise	Sunset
Hour Min.	Hour Min.	Hour Min.
April 1	5:54	8:46
April 2	5:53	8:47
April 3	5:52	8:48
April 4	5:51	8:49
April 5	5:50	8:50
April 6	5:49	8:51
April 7	5:48	8:52
April 8	5:47	8:53
April 9	5:46	8:54
April 10	5:45	8:55
April 11	5:44	8:56
April 12	5:43	8:57
April 13	5:42	8:58
April 14	5:41	8:59
April 15	5:40	9:00
April 16	5:39	9:01
April 17	5:38	9:02
April 18	5:37	9:03
April 19	5:36	9:04
April 20	5:35	9:05
April 21	5:34	9:06
April 22	5:33	9:07
April 23	5:32	9:08
April 24	5:31	9:09
April 25	5:30	9:10
April 26	5:29	9:11
April 27	5:28	9:12
April 28	5:27	9:13
April 29	5:26	9:14
April 30	5:25	9:15

The Observatory, Gonzales Heights, Victoria, B. C.

JAPANESE STEAMSHIPS ARE SAVING DAYLIGHT

N. Y. K. Liner Atsuta Maru is First of Fleet to Conform to Change

The Japanese steamship lines operating on the Pacific are conforming to the United States daylight saving law. According to information gleaned at the local offices of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha this morning the steamships of the premier Japanese transportation concern are leaving Seattle one hour earlier than was the case prior to the inauguration of "Liberty time," as it is now known on the other side of the imaginary border.

The first Japanese liner to be affected is the Atsuta Maru, which sailed from Seattle this morning at 9.40 instead of 10.40, and in consequence the outbound liner reached the Outer Docks about 3 o'clock this afternoon on her way to the Orient. Hitherto the outbound ships of this fleet have been arriving here at 4 p. m., sailing for Yokohama about an hour later.

It is understood that the liners of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha will also adopt the new sailing schedule.

Coastwise Services.
As regards the coastwise services the only lines affected in respect to those including Victoria as a port of call are the Pacific Steamship Company and the Puget Sound Navigation Company.

On her northbound voyage the steamship President, of the Pacific Steamship Company, completely ignored the daylight saving scheme, as she was one hour late in leaving San Francisco, and meeting with heavy weather throughout the run up the coast, she lost several hours additional. On her return voyage, however, the President will arrive an hour earlier than usual and is scheduled to sail from the Outer Docks at 4 p. m. on Friday.

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How Canada's Fish Can Solve Food Problem

Pacific-caught flounders, plaice, soles, brills, skates, red cod, grey cod, ling cod and whitches are identical, as food, with fish of the same varieties caught in the North Sea before the war. With its war zones and counter war zones, its mined areas, its hostile fleet, and its heavily defended shores, the North Sea has been transformed from one of the richest food-producing areas in Christendom into a region fraught with fatality. In times of peace no other like area in all the seas of the world ever has given to humanity such net supplies of food.

In 1913, the catch of fish in the North Sea amounted to 1,250,000 tons or 2,500,000,000 pounds. Counting two tons to the truck load and allowing thirty feet to the truck, this would make a procession of fish trucks reaching across Canada from Halifax to Prince Rupert via Toronto and Winnipeg. But to-day only a fraction of the former catch is made in the North Sea.

The greatest deep-sea fishing grounds in the world have been shifted to America, and the Atlantic and the Pacific oceans now produce the fish for the Allied nations and will continue to do so long after the war, for obvious reasons.

Help to Create the Market.
To-day is the day for Canadians to lend a hand in developing the deep-sea fisheries of the Pacific. By reason of transportation difficulties, Atlantic fish can serve the people only from Halifax to Port Arthur. The Pacific fisheries can send deep-sea fish from the coast as far as Winnipeg and undersell the Atlantic fish at these points. Hitherto only a market for halibut, salmon and sable fish has been created by the Pacific fish producers in Canada and the United States. This market is established and is destined to be permanent. The need now is further to develop the deep-sea fisheries of the Pacific and to create a permanent and extensive market for fish other than halibut, salmon and sable fish, the equal to the latter in food value, judged by many standards, but hitherto practically unused because every energy of the fish producing companies has been devoted to supplying the demand in the large cities of the United States and Canada for the dearer deep-sea fish.

These dearer fish, to create the market for which many years and much money have been expended show signs of depletion. The possible supply does not keep up with the demand. It is necessary, therefore, to draw on a new supply of other wholesome and nutritious fish such as flounders, plaice, soles, brills, skates, red cod, grey cod, ling cod and whitches and in inexhaustible quantities in the Pacific, to cope with the national demand for fish, which has sprung up by reason of the patriotism of the people who desire to substitute fish for beef and pork and release the latter in greater quantities for use by the Allied nations and our own soldiers in the trenches.

Save the Great Fish Waste.
More than fifty million pounds of halibut, salmon and sable fish were caught in the Pacific in 1917, and consumed in forms other than canned. In deep sea fishing operations in 1917, more than twenty million pounds of flounders, soles, brills, skates, red cod, grey cod and whitches were thrown off the hooks of the fishermen, many of these fish died while others regained their deep sea habitat. This was all waste motion, a wasteful fishing, but as there was no market for this excellent food, what could the fishermen do, who are fishing for fish for which a market was already established. The need is for a market. A market means consumers. If the consumers are willing, the fish will be caught, not wasted, and sold to them at about ten cents a pound.

The Canada Food Board believe that the people of the West are willing to eat this fish, guaranteed to be as good edible fish as swims in the sea. Every Westerner is invited to join the National League of Pacific Fish Consumers. If they will eat these deep sea fish they will be satisfied as to their tastefulness and wholesomeness.

Delicacy of the Club Man.
What fish does the London Club man demand? Flounders and soles are the best table fish, when properly cooked and served, in the world. These are the very fish which the Canada Food

Board has arranged to have sold in the Western Provinces at about ten cents a pound. Supplies can be obtained for any city or town.

The Canada Food Board sends this invitation: Be a Pacific deep-sea fish consumer. Join the voluntary, self-denying, health-preserving, National League of Pacific Fish Consumers, and aid in extending the fishing industry of the Pacific to the laudable end that by eating one pound of fish a week you may do "your bit" in sending more beef and pork to the Allies and to your own sons in the trenches.

NICELY DONE.
"I want you to clean my shop window," said Mr. Jenkins to Muggins, the village champion window-cleaner. "Do you think you can do it while I'm away for an hour or so?"

"Oh, yes, glad to do it," replied Muggins. And while Mr. Jenkins was out, he set to work with a will, and completed the job with a vengeance.

"Muggins," said Mr. Jenkins, entering the shop and glancing at the cleaner's work with approval, "you've done the job well. Why, there isn't a speck or scratch to be seen on the whole pane. Here's your money, and an extra shilling."

"I'm glad you are satisfied with it," murmured Muggins, pocketing the money somewhat nervously.

"Of course I am. Why, I can hardly believe there is any glass there at all, it looks so clear."

"Well, there ain't," said Muggins, moving rapidly towards the door. "No and the ladder fell through the glass just after we started."

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Norfolk, Va., April 2.—Government officials in charge of army and navy construction work in the Hampton Roads district met with union labor leaders here to-day in an effort to have the 4,000 carpenters and metal trades workers on strike return to work. A number of the strikers were back this morning.

GREAT LAKES NAVIGATION.
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., April 2.—If present mild weather continues there seems to be little doubt that navigation in St. Mary's River will open by April 15.

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At the time of his death still within four months of attaining his twenty-second year Major John Garnett Tatlow, M. C., son of the late Hon. Capt. Tatlow, a former Minister of Finance of B. C., and Mrs. Tatlow, has been killed in action at the front, his death, the cable intimation of which reached

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POLITICIANS TURN THEIR THOUGHTS TO EARLY BY-ELECTION

Victoria Vacancy Will Be Filled
Soon After Completion
of Session

Present indications point to the holding of the by-election, occasioned by the untimely death of the Hon. H. C. Brewster, almost immediately following the prorogation of the Legislature towards the end of the present month. While no definite announcement is expected from the Government on the subject for the time being, it may be taken for granted that no undue delay will be permitted since all members of the Cabinet have a great many matters to attend to just as soon as the session closes, and by-election atmosphere is not conducive to undivided attention to departmental duties. For this, if for no other reason, it goes without saying that Premier Oliver will rise up the curtain in the very near future.

Possible Candidate.
With no public declarations for legislative honors from either Liberal or Conservative, well-defined rumor suggests the probability of a contest despite a very general wish that an acclamatory return would be possible in view of the extremely sad circumstances which encompassed the demise of the late Premier. It is no secret that Dr. Lewis Hall, who has faithfully filled the office of President of the Liberal Association for some time past, has signified his intention of allowing his name to go before the forthcoming convention as a prospective candidate.

A Second Run.
That there will be a second Dr. Hall in the running is almost a foregone conclusion since Dr. Ernest Hall, inspired by his close run against the Hon. John Hart last summer is almost converted to the necessity of tying the independent flag, by his supporters—many of whom, by the way, are numbered in the newly-admitted electorate. Rumor hath it, however, that in spite of the fact that Dr. Hall would claim support as more or less of a free lance, if elected, he would take his seat in the Legislature seventy-five per cent. Liberal in sympathy and twenty-five per cent. Independent. Just what sort of a campaign would be waged by a straight Liberal and Dr. Ernest Hall against a flat-footed Conservative is difficult at the moment to range. The name of F. J. Stacpole, K.C., has also been mooted as a straight Liberal with the Unionist vote solid in his support.

A Woman?
While the mere male spars for a position the women folk are also looking out for a champion, since to be outdone by Vancouver so far as representation on the floor of the House is concerned is not to be tolerated indefinitely. The name of Mrs. Spofford appears to be the favorite so far. Her work for the common weal and her off-displayed ability on many public matters is common knowledge.

Chances for Acclamation.
So far as can be gathered no official action has been taken by the Conservatives in the matter of selecting a candidate and there appears to be a tendency on the part of both political parties to wait until the fair sex has made its choice. In the event of there being a lady aspirant for the vacant seat the suggestion has been made that her election by acclamation would be possible. On the other hand there exists a doubt about this latter course. A straight woman Liberal or straight woman Conservative would, it is considered, result in a contest; but for a woman without a "political past" taking a platform of straight woman policy, irrespective of political leaning, there appears to be a smooth path to the Legislature.

The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, April 2-5 a.m.—The barometer is high over this Province and abnormally cold weather prevails, while in Cariboo and Northern Alberta zero temperatures have occurred. The cold wave is becoming general in the prairie provinces.

Reports.
Victoria—Barometer, 30.35; temperature, maximum yesterday, 53; minimum, 47; wind, 15 miles N. E.; rain, .06; weather, clear.
Vancouver—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, maximum yesterday, 55; minimum, 41; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.
Kamloops—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, maximum yesterday, 60; minimum, 22; wind, calm; weather, clear.
Barkerville—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, maximum yesterday, 25; minimum, 1; wind, calm; weather, clear.

	Max.	Min.
New Hazelton	43	29
Crabbrook	43	29
Nelson	47	31
Grand Forks	48	32
Calgary	50	30
Edmonton	50	30
Qu'Appelle	50	30
Winnipeg	50	30

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MORE ARABLE LAND IS IN SIGHT EVERYWHERE

Country Districts Join in
Movement to Increase Production; Notes of Progress

That the Greater Production movement is going with a swing round the city, as well as within the limits is shown in the large amount of new land broken at various points. It is evident that in spite of labor problems the farmers are determined to do their part in the campaign.

In the city, which has the advantage of greater organization, the warm days recently have brought into line many who held back, and the City Hall is kept busy with inquiries. In fact there is at the present time some difficulty in providing the land which the prospective cultivators require in the vicinity of their homes, and the situation will only be straightened out when the municipal authority secures legislative approval to use uncultivated land. Before going away Alderman Sangster stated that immediately this power is given to municipalities, the city will be flooded with applications from persons who have rather drawn out of the project because of failing to get the particular lots which they desired.

The Victoria West Brotherhood has arranged for cultivation of the first ten lots ploughed, and which were determined by ballot. Messrs. Vezey, A. W. Sharp, Tompkins, Armstrong, C. H. Smith, W. Matthews, George McLennan, J. E. Casson, Fowler, A. G. McLennan, A. Buchanan, D. McLennan, Frank Dresser and Neelds. Those who have not yet been provided for, but will be accommodated on the land which has recently been ploughed are Dr. Raynor, Messrs. Hurlang, Fred Adams and W. F. C. Pope. Others are expected to join the list when the second allotment will take place.

Those who have been in the habit of saving their seed are greatly interested in the new Act, which will have considerable effect upon their plans. The statement which The Times was able to make exclusively last week that the Dominion authorities intend to co-operate in studying pollution, and the insects beneficial and disadvantageous to seed cultivation, shows that the experience of science is to be added to practical knowledge in getting the best results for the seed growers.

Some plans are in hand but have not yet taken shape to assist the sale in the City Market of produce from the crop now planting. The market by-law has been referred to a committee for report to the City Council. One of the proposals is likely to be some restriction on the hours of peddling vegetables on market days as is done in New Westminster, where the largest producers' market in British Columbia is conducted. The growing popularity of the cash and carrying system will doubtless help the market. Many housewives have hitherto depended on Chinese peddlers, who hawk fresh vegetables from door to door.

Small quantities of land are to be cultivated this year, both at the Protestant Orphanage, and the Children's Aid Home, and the children in each institution lack nothing of the enthusiasm of their elders in taking the work in hand.

There will not be any public meeting of the Increased Production Committee this evening, owing to the schools being closed for the holidays, however it is the intention to resume next week. There are several subjects yet to be touched.

At the Carey Road Methodist Church this evening E. W. White, of the Department of Agriculture, will speak under the auspices of the Cottage Gardeners' Society of Ward IV, Saanich. Councillor Henderson will preside and a musical programme will be rendered.

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One pretty style for misses and small women is made with pleated skirt and Eton waist effect, with silk embroidered and white satin collar. Price is **\$15.00**

An attractive Navy Serge Dress, made in long waist effect, with pleated skirt and belt; collar and cuffs are trimmed with mustard silk. Price is **\$22.50**



Another model is made with pinch back, wide patent leather belt, side pockets and shawl collar finished with braid. Price is **\$18.00**

The Aviation Model is a very stunning frock in navy with grey trimmings; made with high collar and buttoned in back. Price is **\$25.00**

A Springlike Dress of Brown Silk Poplin, made with long silk collar forming pleat in front; wide belt. Skirt is full and has handsome embroidered design around bottom; also touches of embroidery on waist. Prices **\$17.50 and \$18.50**

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All-Silk Crepe de Chine—These are exceptional values, being all-silk and fast colors. Splendid for waists, dresses, night wear, and general purposes; shades of sard, strawberry, gold, sky, rose pink, navy, mauve, purple, wine, emerald, saxe, white, cream and black; 40 inches wide. Per yard **\$1.75**

Silk Poplins—This material is in demand for fancy Spring Suits. Here is an opportunity to secure a suit length at a remarkable saving. Shown in beautiful shades of wine, sky, sand, strawberry, pale pink, saxe blue, navy, black and white; 36 inches wide. Per yard **\$1.75**

Britannia Silk—The latest for sweater coats and suits, very durable and washing. Shown in the newest sports colors, gold, American Beauty, saxe, dark green, emerald, strawberry and pale pink; 34 inches wide. Per yard **\$1.35**

—Silks, Main Floor

A Special Purchase of Foulards, Tussah Silks and Silk Crepes, on Sale Wednesday at 89c Yard

We have been fortunate in purchasing at a very special price about 700 yards of Foulards, Tussah Silks and Silk Crepes. These we intend to clear out at once, as they are broken lines, and although there is a good selection of colors the ranges are not complete. The lot includes self colors, with coin spots and floral designs. Shown in these colors, sand, pinks, apple green, saxe, strawberry, navy, browns, Russian greens, purple, black and white; 36 inches wide. Regular values up to \$1.50 yard. Wednesday, yard **89¢**

Buy Your Curtain Rods While These Special Prices Continue

40-inch Brass Sash Curtain Rods, complete with brackets. Special value, each **9¢**
40-inch Brass Sash Curtain Rods, complete with ball ends and extension brackets. Extends from 20 to 40 inches. Special value, each **7½¢**
Heavy Brass Sash Curtain Rods, complete with ball ends and brackets. Extends from 20 to 35 inches. Price, each **10¢**
Brass Extension Curtain Rods, complete with large ball ends and 2½-inch extension brackets; will fit a window up to 45 inches wide. Special each **12½¢**
Same style, extends to 60 inches, each **10¢**

54-inch Brass Extension Rods, complete with extension brackets and ball ends; extends to 48 inches. Special value, each **15¢**
Same style, extends to 72 inches, each, 23¢. To 108 inches, each **20¢**
54-inch Goose Neck Extension Curtain Rods, complete with the fixtures. Special value, each, 25¢
Same style Rods, extends to 72 inches. Each, 37¢

—Second Floor

TOWN WAS BESIEGED EIGHT TIMES IN WAR

Missionary Here From Western Persia Sees Opportunity for British Influence

One of the effects of the breakdown of Russian influence in the countries which border her far flung boundary in Asia will be the necessity of a new agreement with regard to Persia.

This is the statement of Rev. George F. Zoeteker, of the American Presbyterian Church, who just before leaving Victoria yesterday afternoon discussed the situation with a Times representative. Mr. Zoeteker, who was accompanied by his wife, arrived in Persia the very day that the late Shah, Muhammad Ali, resigned after a stormy attempt to suspend the established constitutions in a truly Bourbon manner. That was July 16, 1907, and since that time until the war, Mr. Zoeteker and his wife lived a rather uneventful life at Daulatabad, a town a few miles south of Hamadan, in the western part of Persia and under the slopes of the great range of mountains

which wall in Persia from the Mesopotamia valley.

Town Was Storm Centre.

It was uneventful until the war broke out, then in the struggles between Russians and Turks for the possession of the entrances into Armenia, Daulatabad was taken and retaken eight times in the course of a few months. The majority of the people, he states, being Moslems themselves, there was not the butchery and slaughter which marked operations in Armenia and in other sections.

"Russian influence," he says, "has been steadily waning in Persia since the outbreak of the war, and now it is practically dead. The opportunity to abandon the Anglo-Russian convention of 1907, which was sharply criticized on account of the large amount of area it added to the Russian sphere of influence, has now come. The authority of the Shah is still scarcely felt even so near to the capital as Daulatabad. Around the city dwell nomadic tribes who make periodical raids on the flocks and herds when food presses. In this way they keep up their supplies and go unpunished because there is no one to bring them to time. While roads and telegraphs have been constructed, a great deal of the country is just a wilderness, with fertile valleys in some of the western provinces.

International Control.

"In the readjustment of boundaries which will follow the war, the country should be placed under some international joint commission, or some similar

method of controlling its affairs in order to see that justice is done to the people. After Mr. Morgan Shuster's financial reforms terminated, the control of the revenue passed into the hands of Belgians, and they have done a great deal, but there is a great chance to open up this country of Western Asia, which has always played a great part in the commerce between Europe and India."

Mr. Zoeteker stated that the German influence in the section where his mission is located was strong before the war, due chiefly to schools established under subsidy by the Persian and German Governments, but that influence has entirely subsided. The Persians show great interest in the foreign schools, and those conducted by the missions have developed rapidly.

A "REVOLUTION" IN BRITAIN.

The new Franchise Act gives the vote to many millions of women over thirty and to every seaman and soldier of nineteen and over in the navy and army. It radically alters the qualifications of an elector, so that henceforth six months' residence will give a vote to men of twenty-one and over. It increases the number of M. P.'s from 670 to 702. It destroys the old system of constituencies and redistributes the country on a basis by which, in Great Britain, there will be one member for every 70,000 of population—London Daily Mail.